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Top man goes during dramatic day in the City

Bank resigns as adviser to Guinness

By Lawrence Lever

The Government's investigation into the affairs of Guinness took a dramatic turn yesterday when Morgan Grenfell the merchant bank, resigned as adviser to the company.

At the same time the bank announced that Mr Roger Seelig, a senior director who played a vital role this year in masterminding the takeover by Guinness of Distillers, had resigned from the bank.

In a terselyworded statement Morgan Grenfell said: "It has decided that its group companies should cease to act as adviser to the company and has informed the board of Guinness accordingly".

Mr Seelig was asked to resign after a meeting yesterday morning with the bank's chairman, Lord Catto, and the Group Chief Executive, Mr Christopher Reeve. And he did so immediately after the meeting.

Mr Seelig is widely regarded in the City as a high flier and one of the most prominent takeover specialists. Commenting on his resignation he said last night: "Throughout my time at Morgan Grenfell I have sought to serve to the best of my ability the interests of the house and its clients. I shall await the outcome of the Guinness enquiry and make no further comment until then".

Mr Seelig was one of the main architects behind the bitter and protracted battle fought for control of Distillers, between Guinness and Argyll. His resignation is understood to have been triggered by his conduct during the course of the bid.

It is this takeover bid upon which the Department of Trade enquiry is focusing. In particular the DTI investigators are looking at purchases of Guinness shares by a number of parties during the course of the bid.

The new City watchdog, the Securities and Investment Board (SIB) will be authorized to investigate investment businesses from January 12. Its other powers under the Financial Services Act will not come into force until later.

The effect of these purchases would have been to boost Guinness's share price and therefore the value of its bid for Distillers.

Morgan Grenfell's resignation as adviser to Guinness is the end of a relationship that had become strained after the announcement of the DTI enquiry on December 1.

Guinness had already appointed another merchant bank, Lazard Brothers, to advise it about the inquiry.

Guinness was given no advance warning from Morgan Grenfell that it was going to resign as its adviser. No-one from Guinness was available for comment last night.

In a separate development Morgan Grenfell denied recent allegations that it owned or paid for a block of 2.1 million Guinness shares, which has triggered off a dispute between Morgan Grenfell and Henry Ansbacher this week. The DTI inspectors are already examining the circumstances behind this transaction.

The shares were purchased by clients of Henry Ansbacher during the course of the takeover battle and transferred afterwards to a subsidiary of Ansbacher at a price above the prevailing market price.

Ansbacher claims that Mr Seelig had agreed to indemnify it on any loss on the shares and arranged payment for them.

A Morgan Grenfell spokesman said that the bank had "neither owned or paid for the shares". However it emerged yesterday that Morgan Grenfell had in fact paid all the stamp duty of the share purchase.

The resignation of Morgan Grenfell and Mr Seelig are the latest in a recent series of damaging events to befall Guinness.

On December 18th Guinness admitted that it had invested some $100 million of its shareholders money in a fund managed by Mr Ivan Boesky the disgraced American arbitrageur. The DTI enquiry into Guinness is believed to have been triggered by information about Mr Boesky's activities relayed to the DTI by the American authorities.

Mr Boesky is known to have owned a large number of Distillers shares.



Roger Seelig: known as high flier in the takeover business

Portfolio Gold

● The £4,000 prize in yesterday's Times Portfolio Gold competition was won by Mrs S. Wilson, of Newmarket, Suffolk. Details, page 3.
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TIMES BUSINESS

New year confidence from CBI

The Confederation of British Industry is expecting better prospects for business and a quickening in the rate of economic growth in what is expected to be election year.

In his new year message today, the CBI president, Mr David Nickson, says manufacturing will grow faster than the economy as a whole in 1987, with consumer spending, investment and exports all buoyant. But the number of manufacturing jobs will decline.

The pound has been relatively stable, supported by rising oil prices.

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City tumult

A tumultuous year in the City saw the arrival of Big Bang and reverberated with insider dealing allegations and the appearance of the government inspector Page 18

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Pakistan win

Pakistan provided a surprise in the opening match of the Benson and Hedges Challenge in Perth when they beat West Indies by 34 runs Page 28

Manager goes

Bobby Saxton, manager of Blackburn Rovers, the struggling second division club, has been dismissed Page 28

Back in favour

Paul Moriarty, the Swansea Rugby Union forward omitted from the Welsh trial after being suspended by his club for punching an opponent, has been invited to rejoin the national squad Page 28

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Towns cut off by flooding

By Michael McCarthy

Torrential rain brought flooding to parts of North and Mid-Wales yesterday, cutting off towns and villages, disrupting train services and leading to evacuation of homes. Thousands of acres of farmland were under water.

Worst affected were the rivers flowing west from the mountains into Cardigan Bay – the Dovey, Mawddach and Rheidol and their tributaries – while further north the Conwy was also badly hit.

The town of Machynlleth on the Dovey was at one time cut off by flooding on roads. Numerous cars were abandoned and livestock was moved from low-lying fields.

The most serious flood alert, Red Three, was in operation in the valley and further downriver families had to leave their homes in the village of Pennal.

British Rail suspended services on the Mid-Wales line as the Dovey flooded tracks. Buses ran passengers between Newtown and Aberystwyth.

A girl, aged 11, fell into the river Rheidol at Aberystwyth and was swept 100 yards downriver before two men waded in and rescued her.

A youth in Lancashire who tried to flee from police across the swollen River Irwell was feared drowned last night.

The youth, aged about 17, whose identity is not known, was challenged by police officers who saw hom riding an unregistered motorcycle on the pavement. He abandoned the machine and jumped into the river at Stacksteads, but was swept away.

Samantha lived on chocolate

By Chris Steyn and Stewart Tendler

Samantha Ettridge slept in a car and lived on Mars bars and Coca Cola during the five days she was missing, her parents said yesterday.

They revealed details of how the schoolgirl spent Christmas living rough, while police searched nationwide for her and Mr Peter Chmilowskyj, who is under arrest.

Last night Miss Ettridge, aged 17, finally returned to her parents' home in Cheshunt, Hertfordshire.

Mrs Carol Ettridge said her daughter had coped very well during the incident, which ended on Monday when the car she was in crashed in Norfolk.

She said: "Sammy seems OK. She has been very brave."

Mrs Ettridge said her daughter had spent most of the time inside the car.

"They did not go to hotels. They did not eat anything except Mars bars and Coke. They were just driving, talking and sleeping."

● Villagers in Letheringsett, Norfolk, were yesterday mourning the death of five-month-old Gemma Smallbone, who was killed when her parents' car was in collision with the vehicle in which Samantha was a passenger.

Gemma's mother Diane, aged 28, was released from King's Lynn Hospital yesterday, after being treated for head injuries. Her husband Derek is "comfortable" in the same hospital.

Gemma's step-brother Terry Jonas, aged five, escaped unhurt.

New Year CBEs for fictional PM and his partner

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Thank you, Prime Minister. The acting partnership who have exposed the supposed mysteries of Whitehall to the homes of millions are recognized in the new year honours list today in a way that Sir Humphrey Appleby would have approved.

Paul Eddington and Nigel Hawthorne, Prime Minister Jim Hacker and Cabinet Secretary Sir Humphrey Appleby in the BBC programme *Yes, Prime Minister*, are awarded CBEs.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, not a frequent television viewer, has never made any secret of her liking for the programme, and its predecessor, *Yes, Minister* although the word in Whitehall has long been that it is less popular with senior civil servants.

Sir Woodrow Wyatt, newspaper columnist, former Labour MP and chairman of the Horserace Totalisator Board (the Tote) since 1976, is one of two new life peers created in today's list.

The other is Field Marshal Sir Edwin Bramall, Chief of the Defence Staff from 1982 to 1985 and the present Lord Lieutenant of Greater London.

Many prominent figures from the world of the arts are honoured. Iris Murdoch, the novelist, is made a DBE; Peter Maxwell Davies, the composer, is knighted, and Alan Ayckbourn, the playwright, receives a CBE.

Sporting honours include a CBE for Frank Williams, head of the Williams grand prix motor racing team, an OBE for Pat Jennings, the former Arsenal, Tottenham Hotspur and Northern Ireland goalkeeper, and MBEs for Sandy Lyle, the former British Open golf champion and Helen Troke, the badminton player.

Three Conservative MPs are knighted: Mr Barney Hayhoe, who lost his post as Minister for Health in last September's reshuffle, Mr Alex Fletcher, a former trade and inustry minister who has served recently as chairman of the Commons Select Committee examining the Channel Tunnel Bill, and Mr Carol Mather, the long-serving former government whip.

Eye-catching awards to prominent figures in the arts, entertainment and sport worlds have been a regular feature of the honours lists since Mrs Thatcher came to power in 1979. But she more than many other prime ministers has used the twice-yearly distribution to recognize political service.

Today's list is no exception. The three new backbench knights swell to 65 the total of Tory MPs who have received

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Actors Paul Eddington and Nigel Hawthorne, who become CBEs in the New Year Honours.

British pride is 'back in fashion'

By Philip Webster Chief Political Correspondent

The Prime Minister yesterday underlined her desire to stay in power to eliminate socialism, still manifested, she said, by the activities of left-wing Labour councils.

In an upbeat new year message, Mrs Margaret Thatcher said that pride in Britain was back in fashion. But she lambasted as "a monumental act of folly" Labour's non-nuclear defence policy.

Her message, as expected, gave no hint of the timing of the next election but was strongly electoral in tone.

Even more so was the new year message issued last night by Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, as he described 1987 as a year of opportunity for Labour.

Mrs Thatcher said that the Conservatives had given new freedoms, new rights and new responsibilities to union members, council tenants, employees in state-owned industries and millions more, and Britain today was more truly democratic than it ever was under socialism.

But the Prime Minister said "Although we may have beaten back socialism we have not yet overcome it.

"There are some 'tin-pot socialist republics' in local government where you can see today's Labour Party in action: action which involves intimidation, harassment and anti-police activity; action which is alien to our true British character."

She launched another onslaught against Labour's defence policy. Nuclear defences have kept the peace in Europe for more than four decades. "To discard those defences, as Labour proposes, would be a monumental act of folly. It would put the Western alliance and peace itself at risk."

She restated the Government's commitment to abolishing the rating system in England and Wales "as soon as possible" after the completion of the Scottish legislation and said that the "dismal defeatism" of the 1970s had been replaced by

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Moscow rejects new year message

From Christopher Walker Moscow

Relations between the two superpowers ended 1986 on a sour note when the Kremlin announced yesterday that Mr Mikhail Gorbachov had rejected an invitation from President Reagan to exchange televised new year messages, as they did for the first time last January 1.

The Kremlin's flat refusal to have any part in the international goodwill exercise surprised Western diplomats here. Some saw it as a sign that Mr Gorbachov may now begin adopting a tougher negotiating stance in the face of the recent rejection of a number of his disarmament initiatives.

The absence of new year greetings from the two leaders will make a bleak contrast

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with last New Year's Day, when the historic messages were well received by ordinary citizens in both capitals.

Explaining the rejection of Washington's invitation, Mr Gennady Gerasimov, the chief Kremlin spokesman, said testily in answer to a question from an American correspondent: "Why should we create any illusions about our relations?

"Despite good statements by the US side, including the one saying that in 1986 we have allegedly drawn closer on many issues, we nevertheless see no reason for an optimistic tone," he said.

● WASHINGTON: The United States said it was disappointed by Moscow's rejection (Michael Binyon writes).

The Administration has been campaigning hard for greater direct access to Soviet television.

Meanwhile, a development that in the long run may be more important is still to go ahead. US and Soviet officials have agreed to broadcast a series of joint television programmes by satellite that will depict the political and cultural life of both countries. The first broadcast, a debate between policy-makers of the two countries, is scheduled for March.

Lord Stockton tribute

Mrs Margaret Thatcher last night described Lord Stockton as "a very remarkable man and a very great patriot", as tributes to the former Prime Minister poured in from politicians, academics and international leaders (Martin Fletcher writes).

In a personal tribute from the steps of 10 Downing Street, the Prime Minister said that on the weekend of the Falklands invasion, Lord Stockton had visited her at the Commons to offer his full support, and had advised her to set up an emergency committee of no more than five.

Mrs Thatcher said his dislike of "selling the family silver" had never come between them. He was "unique in the affection of the British people".

A private funeral for Lord Stockton, who was aged 92, will be held next Monday.

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Zambians to release Londoner

By Nicholas Beeston

Zambian authorities will release a Briton and an Australian today, nearly three weeks after they were detained and accused of planting bombs in a southern town near the Zimbabwean border.

Mr Christopher Bennett, aged 27, from London, and Mr Graham Crowther, aged 24, from Tasmania, have been held in Lusaka since December 13.

A third detainee carrying a New Zealand passport is not expected to be released.

A spokesman for the British High Commission in Lusaka said yesterday: "Mr Bennett will be released on Wednesday and driven straight to the airport where he will take the flight to Harare."

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Tomorrow

● *The Times* will be the only quality newspaper to publish tomorrow. To mark this special New Year's Day edition:



Looking back...

● Sir Geoffrey Howe, interviewed by David Watt, on Britain's changing role on the world stage.

● Is the campaign to slow the spread of Aids working? An exclusive *Times*/MORI poll reveals surprising, sometimes shocking, answers.

Looking forward...



● Miles Kington offers some offbeat predictions in his Almanac of 1987

● From Nero's birth to Chamberlain's death – the Anniversaries of the Year

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Dial a debate at Commons – for 38p a minute

By Martin Fletcher Political Reporter

From the people who brought you the Speaking Clock, Buzby, and recorded cricket scores, there may soon be a new service – Dial-a-Debate live from the Commons.

For 38p per minute, or 25p after 6pm, anyone would be able to ring in and hear MPs sounding off.

Fifteen minutes of solid abuse during Prime Minister's Question Time would cost a mere £5.70, and British Telecom expects such demand that recordings of that twice-weekly event would be available to subscribers for the rest of the day.

Unveiling the proposed service, which would be the first of its kind in the world, MPs yesterday invoked visions of President Reagan and Mr Gorbachov listening from their offices to Sir Geoffrey Howe pronouncing on developments in British foreign policy.

As revealed in *The Times* last month, Sir Philip Goodhart, chairman of the Commons sound broadcasting committee, has been secretly discussing the feasibility of such a service with British Telecom for a number of months.

Agreement has been reached, and shortly before Christmas Sir Philip wrote to Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, outlining the proposals and arguing their merit.

Before such a service could be introduced, it would have to be agreed on the floor of the House, but Sir Philip believes that the arguments which saw the narrow defeat of proposals to televise the Commons would not apply.



There would be no cost to the public. Indeed, if BT eventually makes a profit it would be expected to share the revenue with the Commons. Nor, as it would be a continuous live service, would there be any danger of the editorial control which has led radio broadcasts to concentrate on "our more uproarious moments".

"It would be difficult to object to it," Sir Philip said. In theory the House had already given the public the right to listen in at will by allowing radio broadcasts.

He sees Dial-a-Debate as providing an invaluable service to embassies, provincial newspapers, businesses trade unions, the City and other specialist interests for whom it is often impossible to attend the Commons in person but none the less vital to know quickly what has happened.

GEC employees could have listened to the Nimrod debate. The financial world could have tuned in to the Chancellor's autumn statement – "arguably the second most important statement of the year" which BBC radio failed to broadcast live.

If agreed to, Dial-a-Debate could be introduced on a trial basis next summer. If successful, it could be extended to cover select and standing committees, the House of Lords, the European Parliament, even local council meetings.

NEWS SUMMARY

Willis predicts a 'dodgy' year

Mr Norman Willis, General Secretary of the TUC, has pledged support of the unions in reviving the country's economic fortunes in 1987, provided the Government and employers play their part.

The offer came in his new year message in which he said that "despite the open wound of Wapping", the trade unions were in good shape and good heart and ready to do their best.

He said the new year was likely to be "dodgy", with balance of payments, intolerable stress on social and health services, all problems that complacency would make dangerously worse.

He said the TUC had designated 1987 Public Services Year, as the one big issue that could unite the British people.

Thatcher tops poll

Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Mr Terry Waite, the Archbishop of Canterbury's envoy, were clear winners of this year's BBC Radio Four "woman and man of the year" polls.

The Prime Minister came second last year after being top the previous four years.

This year, the Duchess of York came second, with Princess Anne third.

In the men's poll, Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, was second, Mr Norman Tebbit, the Conservative Party chairman, third, and the Prince of Wales was fourth.

Parrots' nest egg

Mr Jim Dyer, a former executive with British Petroleum from Stow-on-the-Wold, Gloucestershire, has left £2,000 in his will to a pair of African grey parrots.

"It's enough to keep them in birdseed for at least 100 years," Mr Chris McCormack, Mr Dyer's nephew, said.

The parrots, Ella and Louis, named after the idols of jazz enthusiast Mr Dyer – Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong – are to be kept at a bird sanctuary in Farnham, Surrey.

Irish island for sale

Great Blasket, off Co Kerry on the south-west coast of Ireland, where literature in the Irish language once flourished, is being offered for sale for $1 million (about £689,000) by Mr Taylor Collings, its American owner.

The island, three miles by half a mile, drew scholars from throughout the world in the half-century before its small community left in 1957.

A fund-raising group has been set up to try to buy the island for the nation, and yesterday Mr Dick Spring, the deputy prime minister, said it was imperative that the island be preserved in Irish hands. He said it should be designated a national heritage area, thus requiring the owner to offer it first to the government.

Norman conquest



Barry Norman, presenter of BBC Television's *Film 86* has been elected Pipeman of the Year by the Pipesmokers' Council.

Mr Norman (right), aged 51, has smoked pipes since he was 18 and relies on his briars when writing scripts.

"Pipes are a great aid to concentration. I love the smell of tobacco and the rituals of pipesmoking – sheer bliss," he said.

A confessed tobacco addict, he has lately cut back on cigarettes in favour of pipes. His collection includes a meerschaum and a Dunhill.

Heart woman moves

Mrs Davina Thompson, the world's first triple transplant patient, has made such good progress that yesterday she was moved out of the intensive care unit at Papworth Hospital, Cambridgeshire.

Mrs Thompson, aged 35, of South Yorkshire, was transferred to a general surgical ward, where she can talk with other patients.

A hospital spokesman said doctors were very happy with her progress since she received her new heart, lungs and liver two weeks ago.

'Britain has lost one of its finest statesmen'

Country pays tribute to Stockton

Politicians of all parties continued to pay tribute yesterday to Lord Stockton, the former Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan. They described him as "Father of the Nation" and "one of Britain's finest statesmen".

It was also announced that Lord Stockton, who died on Monday evening, is to be buried next Monday after a private funeral at noon. A memorial service will be arranged for a later date, probably in Westminster Abbey.

Lord Stockton is to be buried in the family plot at the church of St Giles in Horsted Keynes, West Sussex, not far from his home at Birch Grove House, Chelwood Gate, near Haywards Heath. He will lie alongside his wife, Lady Dorothy, who died in 1966.

Lord Stockton's heir and grandson, Lord Macmillan of Ovenden, said last night that his family had been "touched and moved" by the many tributes from friends, royalty and all parts of the political spectrum.

"So many people have rung up or sent massages to say how sorry they are - and particularly the message from the Queen - we have been very moved."

Among those who paid tribute to Lord Stockton yesterday were four former Prime Ministers: Lord Home of the Hirsel, his successor, Lord Wilson of Rievaulx, Mr James Callaghan and Mr Edward Heath.

Lord Home remembered particularly Lord Stockton's "almost paternal relationship" with Mr John Kennedy, the American President, with whom he got on "like a house of fire". That had fostered Anglo-American relationships at an important time and they had remained strong ever since.

Lord Wilson recalled his "classical" debates with Lord Stockton when they were shadow Chancellor and Chancellor respectively. "When he and I were debating some financial question the House would be absolutely packed. But after the vote, when the Conservatives had won with a big majority, he and I would often be seen having a quiet drink and smoke together.

"The debates were always lively, despite it being a dull subject. But there was no feeling of hatred or animosity between us." On one occasion Lord Stockton had passed a note across the chamber congratulating him on a debate and saying how much he had enjoyed it. "He was great fun, but absolutely dead serious," Lord Wilson said.

Mr Callaghan claimed that Lord Stockton's First World War experiences had shaped his political outlook. "There was a certain comradeship in the trenches which had a lasting effect and led him to be deeply and genuinely concerned throughout his whole life with social matters and particularly unemployment."

In a further tribute, Mr Heath, who had been Lord Stockton's Chief Whip, pointedly praised his intolerance of dogma. "If we tried to use that approach over a problem in the House then he promptly killed it dead. He was delightful to work for because he was always so stimulating."

Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, who has served under every Prime Minister since the war, described Lord Stockton as "one of the most skilful, and perhaps the most skilful. He was a real professional."

His greatest achievement had been to reunite the Conservative Party, and to some extent the country, after the Suez crisis. He was a truly "Christian" man and his life had been "rather glorious".

Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, said Lord Stockton's death marked the end of an era. "He will be remembered for the great style and flair he brought to the office of Prime Minister.

"His genuine, personal concern for the housing of people at home, and the granting of freedom to the peoples of Africa, will be his lasting memorial, as will his more recent speeches as Earl of Stockton.

"In these he acted as Father of the Nation in drawing attention to the unemployed. His was a glorious career."

Mr Peter Walker, the Cabinet member most in tune with Lord Stockton's political philosophy, said that Britain had lost "one of its finest statesmen".

Determined to eradicate the misery and poverty of the 1930s depression, 20 years later he had put into practice the policies he had preached as a backbencher and given the nation a period of unparalleled prosperity.

He was "a man well-read, deep thinking, humorous and kind, whose ideas and thoughts should influence us all in the next century".

An unexpected tribute came from Mr Oliver Tambo, president of the outlawed African National Congress, who in a letter to Mrs Margaret Thatcher described Lord Stockton as a "distinguished statesman".

He continued: "As South Africans we shall always remember him for his efforts to encourage the apartheid regime to bow to the winds of change that continue to blow in South Africa.

Further tributes came from Oxford University, of which Lord Stockton had been chancellor since 1960.

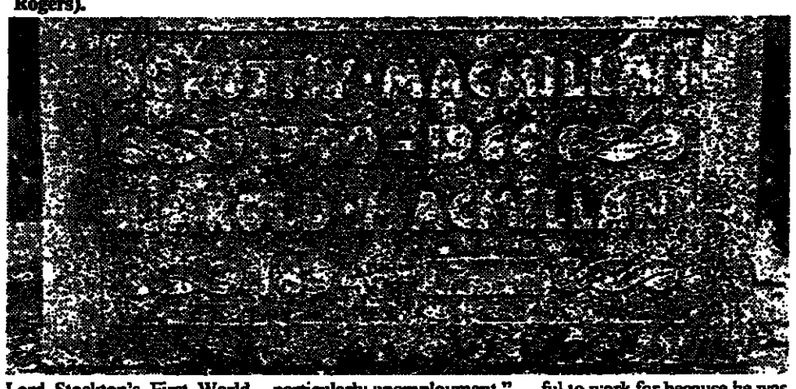
Sir Patrick Neill QC, the vice-chancellor, recalled how "his eloquence, wit and charm continued to delight his audiences, even in his last public appearances in the summer of 1986".

Sir Patrick spoke particularly of how he enjoyed the company of the young. "He would talk late into the night with eager groups of students who were often startled by the radical views he put forward, well into his last decade.

"It was clear that he loved and valued the university and it loved and valued him in return.



Mr Adam Macmillan, Lord Stockton's grandson and brother of the heir to the title, at Birch Grove House yesterday; and the plaque on the family plot at St Giles church, Horsted Keynes, where Lord Stockton is to be buried privately on Monday (Photographs: Nick Rogers).



Fireman killed in terrorist attack

Part-time firemen were shocked yesterday when they discovered they had removed the body of a colleague from an Ulster public house attacked by terrorists.

Another part-time fireman was injured in the bomb blast after an attempted armed robbery.

Mr Liam McShane, aged 24, and Mr Christopher Glass had both been missing on the 1am call-out at Maghera, Co Londonderry.

They had been clearing up after closing time at the Central Bar in the main street, where Mr Glass was a co-owner and Mr McShane helped out occasionally.

Three or four men knocked at the locked front door, asked to buy beer and produced pistols once inside.

They ushered Mr Glass to the safe and knocked him unconscious with a pistol butt when they found it was empty. As they fled they planted a bomb, which exploded moments later.

Mr McShane died instantly and Mr Glass suffered facial and arm burns, but his condition is not serious.

The explosion started a fierce fire. It destroyed the public house, but was was prevented from reaching neighbouring houses, which were evacuated for some hours.

The injured man and Mr McShane's body were both taken to the Mid-Ulster Hospital, where the dead man's wife was on night duty as a nurse. The couple had a one-year-old daughter.

Mr McShane was the 62nd person to die in terrorist violence in Northern Ireland this year, but the Provisional IRA denied that any of its units were involved in the attack. It blamed "loyalists".

Mr Jim McGuigan, the leader of the Maghera firemen, said Mr McShane was "a very lively lad, very jolly and popular who will be sadly missed in the town".

They had feared the worst when the two men had not arrived for the call-out and when they heard that one man was trapped.

Unionists' £90,000 protest

Unionist members of Belfast City Council have voted to spend £90,000 of ratepayers' money on an intensified campaign of opposition to the Anglo-Irish agreement.

They ignored a written warning from the town clerk that their proposed action was "not necessarily lawful" and could mean their being surcharged personally.

The decision, reached by a vote of 23 to 18 after an hour's debate on Monday night, is virtually certain to be challenged in the courts by other political parties and possibly by individual ratepayers.

The likelihood of further legal action arises only two weeks before the Alliance Party is due to bring the Belfast council to court again after attempts by the controlling "loyalist" members to frustrate an earlier high court order that the council should resume normal business.

The nationalist Social Democratic and Labour Party yesterday called on Mr Richard Needham, the Northern Ireland Office minister responsible for local government "to take his head out from under the sand where he has been hiding it for months, ever since the loyalist protests started, and do something t save local government here".

Mr Eddie McGrady, t SDLP Chief Whip and loc. government spokesma added: "He should not b leaving it to the Alliance Par or to private citizens to do for him".

The £90,000 which the council voted represented a quarter-penny rate to be spent on meetings, rallies and advertisements and grant aid to other bodies.

The first such spending could come tomorrow night. The resolution instructed Mr Cecil Ward, the town clerk, to organize bonfires across the city on January 1, to be lit by the Lord Mayor or by local loyalist MPs to signify the city's resistance to the Hillsborough Accord.

HMS Challenger controversy

Ship 'outdated when built'

By Guy Ker

The Royal Navy's new diving support ship, HMS Challenger, which is undergoing a multi-million pound refit less than two years after it entered active service, was up to 10 years out of date when it was completed, it was claimed yesterday.

Mr Alex Ogle, general manager of Humber Ship Repairers, which is carrying out much of the repair work on the troubled vessel, said that the specialist diving equipment which is central to its role was designed too far in advance of construction.

His comments are sure to cause further embarrassment for the Ministry of Defence, which yesterday conceded that £148 million has been spent on repairs and improvements to HMS Challenger.

These have led to a massive escalation of the £71.5 million she was supposed to cost when approved in 1978. Taking inflation into account, the total amount spent on the vessel, which entered service in 1984, is just under £170 million.

Mr Ogle declined to comment on reports that HMS Challenger was regarded as a defence procurement disaster by senior naval personnel, but said: "A lot of it you could put down to the fact that the design went on too long before the ship was actually built. Standards change and the design of the diving system was ten years out of date by the time she was ready to go to sea.

"Diving support systems are moving very fast because of the development triggered by North Sea oil exploration. But the fact that it is a Naval vessel makes the work that much more complicated, and compared to commercial vessels, which are built on much shorter time scales, it was out of date."

The latest work, which started in April, involves the replacement of the vessel's high-technology Saturation Diving System, which allows divers to operate at depths of up to 1000 ft for days at a time. The work also involves some routine maintenance.

The latest refit comes after a catalogue of flaws that started with wiring problems when the ship was under construction, which delayed the completion date.

The 7,000 ton ship was on the drawing board for two years before work began at the Scott-Lithgow yard on the Clyde in 1979.

Union dismisses plan for 'merchant reserve'

By A Staff Reporter

Government proposals for a Merchant Navy Reserve have been dismissed as "unworkable" by Mr Sam McCluskie, General Secretary of the National Union of Seamen, in a new year message to his members.

Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, announced the plan to the Commons on December 10, when he said the merchant reserve would be called on in time of war to man British-owned ships under foreign flags.

Mr McCluskie, calling the proposal the creation of a "Dad's Navy", said the reserve would be manned by ill-trained and inexperienced ex-seafarers.

He said that while he was not opposed in principle to a Merchant Navy reserve, the plan as proposed would be unworkable. The Government had also to be committed to preserving a reasonable-sized core fleet of merchant ships

Mr McCluskie said: "A pool of skilled and experienced seafarers cannot be maintained if the fleet falls to 100 ships, as the General Council of British Shipping is predicting will happen by the mid-1990s unless the Government provides the right commercial conditions."

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Cinderella seat for Alliance

By Martin Fletcher
Political Reporter

The Liberals and the SDP, who put up opposing candidates in a couple of bitterly disputed seats at the last election, now have the novel problem of a constituency where neither party wants to stand.

Ogmore, in the Welsh valleys, is one of Labour's safest seats – no other party has come close to winning it for decades and Mr Ray Powell, the sitting MP, has a majority of more than 17,000.

The local Liberal party is in such disarray that even its nominal chairman, Mr Philip Loomes, is unsure whether it is still recognized by the national party. Regular meetings are no longer held; it does not appear in the Welsh Liberal Party's directory, and at the last general election a candidate was found only at the eleventh hour.

For the next election, the constituency has again been allocated to the Liberals, but this time no candidate has been forthcoming. Nationally the division of seats was tilting rather too far in the Liberals favour, so last month SDP headquarters wrote to the Bridgend and Ogmore SDP area party informing it that the SDP should fight the seat.

But Mr Russell Smart, the SDP parliamentary candidate for the neighbouring constituency of Bridgend wants nothing to do with it.

Mr Smart and his colleagues do not want precious resources diverted, as Bridgend is considered the fifteenth most marginal seat in Britain. Mr Peter Hubbard-Miles, the Conservative MP, has a majority of just 1,327.

It is understood that the local SDP party has now agreed to fight the seat, but only on condition that all the election expenses are borne by the national party.

Mr Loomes was rather upset by the affair last night, claiming that the Liberals would have liked to fight the seat.

Mr Smart claimed that it was necessary to face political realities. It would be best to concentrate on the winnable seats and not on a "lost cause" like Ogmore, he said.

Desire for farm home aids prices

By John Young
Agriculture Correspondent

The demand by wealthy townsfolk for period farmhouses in the Cotswolds and other fashionable areas has cushioned the effect of the general fall in farmland prices, according to a leading firm of land agents.

Mr Richard Law, managing partner of Bruton Knowles and Co, of Gloucester, says that in spite of a general fall of some 20 per cent in land values during the last year, selling prices in the most sought-after parts of Gloucestershire and neighbouring counties have remained "misleadingly high".

The average price for land sold with a farmhouse is about £1,500 an acre. Had it not been for this residential influence, the price would be down to about £1,200.

But despite the attraction of "Royal" Gloucestershire, where both the Prince of Wales and Princess Anne have made their homes, and the influx of the new rich into a corridor that roughly follows the line of the M4 motorway between Windsor and Bristol, the present recession in farming is still making itself felt.

In 1983 Mr Law was achieving average returns of £2,242 an acre on behalf of clients. However, although the average has nearly halved, small parcels of land are still commanding high prices and many farms are selling readily through private treaty.

Local master settles for a chess draw

By Harry Golombek
Chess Correspondent

Two of the three adjourned games from round one of the Foreign and Colonial Hastings Grandmaster Chess tournament were completed yesterday.

Stuart Conquest, the local master, found his slight advantage against last year's winner, Petursson, insufficient to force a win and a draw was agreed at move 44.

Peter Large, last year's winner of the Challengers' Tournament, was able to make his advantage tell against the Soviet Grandmaster Gufeld and he won an excellently played ending at move 59.

The other outstanding game between the world women's champion, Maya Chiburdanidze, and the Danish Grandmaster, Bent Larsen, was again adjourned after 60 moves.

In other games on Monday, when the tournament opened, Hodgson gained some attack against Lputian in a lively struggle but the players agreed a draw at move 26.

Plaskett and Chandler indulged in a complex struggle but Chandler forced Plaskett's resignation at move 39.

Speelman and Kudrin agreed to a draw at move 29.

Mestel and Adorjan agreed an uninspiring draw after only 12 moves.

Results: J Speelman (England) drew with S Kudrin (US), Queen's Indian Defence; Dr J Mestel (England) drew with A Adorjan (Hungary), Sicilian Defence; J Hodgson (England) drew with S Lputian (USSR), Trompowski Variation; J Plaskett (England) lost to M Chandler (England), Queen's Indian Defence; M Petursson (Iceland) adjourned game with S Conquest (Hastings), Grunfeld Defence; E Gufeld (USSR) adjourned game with P Large (England), Ruy Lopez; M Chiburdanidze (USSR) adjourned game with B Larsen (Denmark), Catalan Opening.

The Grand Master Tournament is in category 10 this year.

Airline offers 500 part-time cabin jobs

British Airways is advertising for about 500 extra part-time and temporary cabin staff as part of a recruitment campaign.

It hopes to take on the stewards and stewardesses at its bases in London, Manchester, Glasgow and Birmingham in the next few months.

It is intended that the new crew will work between 10 and 20 days a month on a mutually agreed basis.

"It is ideal for people who already have another job and want a chance to work part-time.

"Our existing 'support' cabin crew have jobs such as nurses or secretaries," British Airways said yesterday.

Temporary staff are being recruited alongside the part-time support crew and will work for six months during next year's busy summer holiday season.

British Airways introduced the concept of part-time support staff more than a year ago

It says it has been popular with management and the staff involved.

Science report

Prostitute study backs advice on Aids

By Peter Brock

The low prevalence of sexually transmitted disease in a group of female prostitutes investigated by Danish physicians is, they believe, partly explained by the widespread use of condoms, a finding of particular relevance to the safer sex campaign in Britain intended to curb the spread of Aids (acquired immune deficiency syndrome).

Dr Kim Kogsgaard and his colleagues at Hvidovre Hospital, University of Copenhagen, and at the State Serum Institute, conducted a study that was an extension of work in the spread of hepatitis B.

Although hepatitis B, with its high incidence among male homosexuals, had not spread to the general population, the Aids epidemic was not restricted by the same boundaries of sexual orientation.

After male homosexuals and intravenous drug abusers, prostitutes form a group at high risk, according to evidence of a high prevalence of antibodies to the human immunodeficiency virus, HIV, found among female prostitutes in Central and East Africa.

The prostitutes in the Danish research were found through their advertisements in Copenhagen newspapers and magazines and, eventually, 101 non-drug addicts were recruited to the study.

All but two were white and they were aged from 19 to 60, with an average age of 28. They had been prostitutes for a month to 26 years (average two years); 26 worked as escorts and 75 worked in massage parlours.

Their blood was examined for markers of sexually transmitted disease and they gave details of previous disease and sexual behaviour.

A quarter of the women suspected that 20 per cent of their clients were homosexual or bisexual and 37 occasionally had clients from the United States, Africa or the Caribbean.

Apart from the low prevalence of more common sexually transmitted disease, there was no evidence of the Aids virus in the women, which accords with recent preliminary observations among condom users from England, France and Italy.

Although that is partly explained by the widespread use of condoms, an important social factor emerged among the Copenhagen group. "Evidently, men visiting prostitutes are often middle-aged and may have only few extramarital relations," the research team says.

Source: *The British Medical Journal*, Vol 293, No 6560, 1986.

Tunnel publicity drive

By Rodney Cowton, Transport Correspondent

Eurotunnel, the Anglo-French company which is promoting the Channel tunnel, is to launch a programme of advertising, exhibitions and seminars during the next few months to publicize the benefits it believes the tunnel will bring.

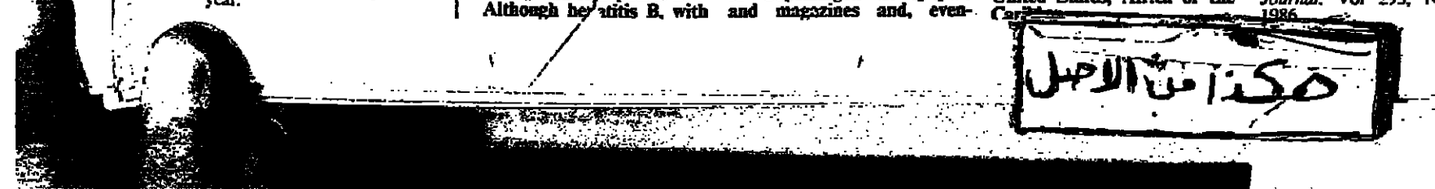
The company said there was "an enormous amount of ignorance" about the project, with people not knowing whether a tunnel or a bridge was to be built.

Among the possibilities being considered by the company is the use of a special train to tour the country with display material.

There may also be regional seminars for businessmen, at which they could give their views on what impact they thought the tunnel, planned to open in 1993, would have.

One of the main purposes of this approach would be to try to stimulate the use of the tunnel for carrying rail freight.

At present a much higher proportion of freight is carried by road in Britain than in France, and it is hoped that the long hauls which will be possible through the tunnel to continental destinations will stimulate a big increase in the use of rail by British industry.



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Couple take RSPCA to court over noisy dogs

A couple who are taking the RSPCA to court after years of being disturbed by barking dogs have won much praise from pressure groups dedicated to the reduction of environmental noise.

The action being taken by Mr and Mrs Cedric and *Muriel Wills*, of Preston Street, Exeter, in seeking to have a noise abatement order served on the RSPCA kennels near their flat is nothing short of courageous, according to Mr John Connell, chairman of the Noise Abatement Society.

The couple say they have been forced to go to court after being driven "practically insane" by the noise from up to 20 dogs nine hours a day.

Mr Connell said the considerable financial resources of the RSPCA meant it was able to mount appeals against adverse decisions and so buy itself a measure of legal protection few individuals were willing to take on.

He said: "You have to be very brave to sue the RSPCA. It can go to the High Court and cost you a lot of money."

The RSPCA yesterday claimed that there has been *little legal action against noise* from animals under its care because most pounds and kennels were deliberately located well away from residential areas, and because most people were sympathetic to the animal welfare cause.

But Mr Connell said actual disputes were fairly common, including another situation at present unfolding in Holloway, north London, where the RSPCA had told a female complainant that since the now-defunct GLC had obtained the land on which her flat had been built by making a compulsory purchase order, it was hardly responsible for the problem.

Mrs Wills told *The Times* that the barking of up to 20 dogs at a time, nine hours a day, seven days a week, from kennels only 50 yards from *her council flat* had "practically driven her insane" over the past few years, and she had little option but to seek a legal noise abatement order.

She said: "I'm becoming suicidal. I've complained enough times but nothing has been done. All we want is some peace."

Another group that is expected to take a close interest in the case when it appears before Exeter magistrates at an as yet unspecified date in the new year is the Noise Council, a watchdog group in the Institution for Environmental Health.

According to Mr Stephen Battersby, assistant secretary to the institution, noise complaints to local authorities have increased more than tenfold since 1974 and there is an urgent need to establish why.

He said: "It could be that people moan more, and they know they can complain nowadays, or it could be that with more machines and more powerful hi-fi systems people make more noise."



Mr Ivon Flagg walks over the remains of Nether Adber, a medieval village on his farm at Marston Magna near Yeovil in Somerset, which he has advertised for sale in *The Wall Street Journal*.
The eight and a half acre village site is a scheduled ancient monument of great archaeological value.
Mr Flagg has been prevented from ploughing it by an injunction taken out last year by English Heritage.
After a two-year battle for compensation over leaving the land fallow, Mr Flagg, supported by his MP, Mr Paddy Ashdown, has decided to sell the site where he used to graze his dairy cows before the introduction of milk quotas.
Mr Flagg, who has not specified the price, says the advertisement has aroused considerable interest.
"I have had a lot of calls and a couple of offers so far," he said (Photograph: Nick Rogers).

Tourists get crown guidance

Wherever the British tourist on holiday in this country goes next year, be sure the relevant tourist board has been there before.

Whether holidaymakers plan to stay in a caravan park, a hotel or a farmhouse, an army of signs displaying crowns, "ticks" and roses wait to guide them in their choice.

Tomorrow sees the launch of the "crown classification" scheme for serviced accommodation.

The English Tourist Board says the crowns scheme means places offering room to stay for overnight accommodation, from the smallest b & b to the largest hotel, will be graded from a simple "listed" to five crowns.

They are aimed at helping the public select their accommodation more easily and with confidence, and establishments will be inspected once a year for cleanliness, courtesy and service.

The more crowns, the wider the range of facilities. Crowns do not judge quality, but facilities must be well maintained and fit for their intended purpose.

The tourist board says the crown signs are going up throughout Britain and will soon be the most familiar classification sign in the country.

The tourist boards of England, Scotland and Wales have also got together with other relevant bodies to grade caravan and camping parks with one to five ticks. Graded parks can be identified by a tick inside a Q for quality.

The higher quality the landscape, atmosphere, ambience and overall impression, the more ticks are awarded, the tourist boards say. Small parks are not penalized - only the state of the facilities is graded, not the number.

According to Mr Malcolm Wood, marketing director of the English Tourist Board, some 50 million domestic holiday nights in Britain are spent in static caravans. The British Graded Holiday Parks National Grading Scheme will be launched on January 21. The ETB rose award scheme will identify parks which have achieved four or five ticks.

Raids fail to stop pirate broadcasts

By Jonathan Miller, Media Correspondent

The Government is "clearly losing the war" against unlicensed radio stations, according to a report prepared by the Community Radio Association.

The association, which is opposed to unlicensed broadcasting, says 115 radio "pirates" have been on the air since July 1.

Sixty-five of the stations have been monitored in London, another 21 on Merseyside, and the remainder are scattered throughout *the country*.

Mr John Butcher, Under Secretary of State at the Department of Trade and *Industry responsible for the* Radio Investigation Service, told Parliament last month that 218 raids had been made on 84 unlicensed stations in the 12 months to mid-November.

He said 39 of the stations were in London, 14 on Merseyside and the remainder in Sussex, Birmingham, North Wales, Telford, north Hertfordshire, Rugby and Basildon.

Mr Butcher said that officials had raided PCRL, an unlicenced station in Birmingham, more than 30 times.

When the Government withdrew, in June, its plan to introduce a new community radio service, the Community Radio Association said that the decision would lead to an increase in the number of unlicensed stations.

"This is exactly what has happened over the last six months," the report said.

Solar Radio, a London station that closed down voluntarily in 1985 to apply for a licence, is among those that have returned to the air, and is broadcasting on VHF on a 24-hour schedule.

There are eight 24-hour pirate stations operating in London, with more expected to go on the air soon, the report said.

In spite of a number of raids in the London area on December 22, all were back on the air by Christmas Eve, when monitors picked up transmissions *from 14 stations*.

Wasteful Britain is put to shame

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

Dustbins and plastic sacks overflowing with the debris of Christmas should bring a blush of shame to the British cheek, according to Mr Stanley Clinton Davis, the EEC Environment Commissioner.

Mr Clinton Davis, who has the task of masterminding the European Year of the Environment, which starts on March 21, officially the first day of spring, is up against the fact that his own countrymen are among the most wasteful in Europe.

Next year, unless as a nation we suddenly change our ways, the average family of four will use enough paper to require six trees to be felled; if Christmas wrappings had been kept for further use, that would have helped a little.

The same family will also throw away 112lb of metal and 90lb of plastic, much of which will further disfigure streets, roadside verges, beaches and leisure areas. As well as being wasteful, the British are also untidy.

One purpose of the environmental year campaign will be to show that 80 per cent of the 2,000 million tonnes of waste generated in the EEC every year could be reused or recycled.

Now, only a fraction is saved, although some countries have made greater efforts than others. For example in The Netherlands 53 per cent of usable glass is recycled, compared with 36 per cent in Belgium, 31 per cent in Germany, 25 per cent in France and only 9 per cent in Britain.

(In Britain's defence it has to be said that it is the only country to have retained a nationwide doorstep milk distribution system, which allows millions of bottles to be used many times over.)

The campaign is intended *to encourage concern about* the reckless consumption of raw materials and energy, the decay of forests, river and sea pollution, and chemical and nuclear accidents such as Seveso and Chernobyl.

"The list of environmental pollution appears infinite," Mr Clinton Davis says. Much of the waste was dangerous and, although most of it was now buried, that was not always done properly.

Safety error led to silo deaths

By Craig Seton

Two members of a farming family who were killed as a father tried in vain to rescue his son from a suffocating *grain silo probably died* because strict safety procedures were ignored.

Mr Crawford Perkins, aged 63, *clambered into the 40ft* deep silo to try to save his son, David, aged 31, who was using only a garden-type hose to provide oxygen as he worked in the dusty atmosphere.

The Health and Safety Executive yesterday opened an inquiry into the deaths of the two men on Monday at Church House Farm, Moreton on Lugg, near Hereford, where they lived with their families. Both are *thought* to have suffocated.

Mr Perkins junior, who was married with a son aged three, had climbed into the half-full silo to repair a fault.

Instead of full respiratory gear, he was using only a hosepipe, through which air was being pumped by a motor outside the silo. When he collapsed inside, his father *climbed in to rescue him*, but he too collapsed.

Firemen wearing breathing apparatus recovered their bodies.

The Rev William Price-Johns, who comforted the wives of the two men, said yesterday: "The village is shattered and stunned. Mr Campbell Perkins was a leading figure in the village and a prominent farmer."

Mr John Woolley, senior agricultural inspector for the Health and Safety Executive at Worcester, said yesterday: "Confined spaces of this sort are lethal." The atmosphere inside the silo would have been almost oxygen-free and containing carbon dioxide to preserve the grain, he said.

"Both men would have become unconscious almost immediately."

Gala ball returns to the Savoy

By a Staff Reporter

A traditional gala ball to celebrate New Year's Eve is being revived at the Savoy Hotel, London, this year after three decades.

The £100-a-head Lancaster *Ball will be held in a room* created from a courtyard once flooded with champagne by revellers, who then took to gondolas.

Other hotels reported sell-out bookings for dinner dances. "It seems to be becoming more and more popular to eat out on New Year's Eve," the Inn on the Park Hotel in London, said.

As *preparations* for the annual celebrations got under way, Scotland Yard yesterday issued safety guidelines for the thousands expected to pack Trafalgar Square tonight.

Police advised revellers against using cars, bringing large sums of money, or carrying handbags. Parents were warned to leave babies and small children at home.

They also urged people to drink moderately and said that patrols would be on the lookout for any suspected drink-drivers. Special trains *will be running from Charing* Cross station until 1am.

This year's drink-driving campaign seems to have had an effect, *judging* from the record sales of alcohol-free beers reported by Paine's brewery, of St Neots, Cambridgeshire. Sales were said to be 1,000 per cent up on last year.

At Wembley Stadium, officials are *dealing with* booking inquiries for the end of the millenium. Two had already been received for December 31, 1999. Both involved live pop concert performances to be beamed by satellite around the world.

Man of 86 trussed and beaten

A man aged 86 was trussed and beaten yesterday by a thug he caught raiding his home.

Mr Richard Tinsley was forced upstairs by his attacker who bound his legs, arms and mouth with tape.

Then as he lay defenceless on his bedroom floor he was *kicked and punched by the* intruder.

His attacker then fled with his life savings of about £1,000.

After lying helpless for an hour Mr Tinsley managed to raise the alarm by throwing a shoe through his bedroom window.

Mr Tinsley, of Bramwell Street, Parr, Merseyside, was taken to St Helen's Hospital and admitted to the intensive care unit with a fractured skull and several broken ribs.

Police said the attacker is described as aged about 30, stocky, with a beard.

BP oil field is to be extended

British Petroleum has been given permission to extend Britain's second largest onshore oil field near Lincoln.

A new well is to be opened at Stainton by Langworth

Teachers' pay dispute

Spring deadline predicted

By Mark Dowd
Education Reporter

The Government will impose its own pay and conditions settlement on 440,000 teachers in England and Wales by no later than spring 1987, a union leader predicted last night.

Mr Peter Dawson, general secretary of the 35,000-strong Professional Association of Teachers (PAT), said that there was practically no prospect of unions and the local authority employers agreeing on a package acceptable to the Government.

"We had a chance to table new proposals on the number of promotion posts at a meeting on December 19 but we spurned it because a majority in the teachers' panel refused to budge," he said.

His comments are likely to be greeted with scorn by leaders of the larger unions who resent the union's maverick image. The PAT is the only association with a no-strike clause and was responsible for inviting Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education, to intervene in the pay dispute at the end of October.

Its decision to bypass the talks at the conciliation service, Acas, and go straight to Mr Baker with its suggestions on salary structure at the beginning of this month has *left it with even fewer friends*.

The next stage in the dispute is on January 7 when the local authorities meet the teachers in a full meeting of the Burnham committee to ratify the deal agreed at Acas

However, it looks increasingly as though the deal will be stillborn because both sides depend on the Government to provide 46 per cent of its share towards any final settlement.

With Mr Baker expressing displeasure at the small number of incentive posts in the Acas deal, he will not release the money.

As the prospect of imposition looms, it seems increasingly likely that some of the more moderate unions will increase their campaigns to gain approval for their own compromise pay frameworks from Mr Baker.

A PAT delegation will see Mr Baker on January 6, the day before the Burnham meeting with the employers, to get reaction to its plans.

The National Association of Head Teachers, which has also put together an outline on pay structure, said yesterday that it would seek further audiences with Mr Baker if no amendments are made to the *existing deal at the Burnham* meeting next week.

Cash warning by university

A leading don from Edinburgh University has berated the Government and the University Grants Committee, the body which channels funds to Britain's 46 universities, for their increasingly heavy-handed approach which, he says, is leading to a damaging breakdown in trust.

In his introduction to the annual report of the university published today Dr John Burnett, the university's principal, is critical of the Government's "insidious tendency" to apply industrial and commercial management terms to higher education institutions.

"The work of universities is in danger of being judged both mechanically and in the context solely of monetary values, not least by ministers in their public expectations," he says.

Electronic ally for the badger

By Our Agriculture Correspondent

Badgers who, what with gassing, trapping and the illegal digging up of their sets, have not had much recent cause to feel well disposed to the human race, may be facing a happier new year than for some time.

Hard on the heels of the *Ministry of Agriculture's de*cision to modify its programme of eliminating badgers suspected of being carriers of bovine tuberculosis — a campaign widely denounced as far too indiscriminate — the badger appears to have found a new *ally in the form of an* electronic "bug".

It is a small black-box transmitter intended to thwart the activities of those who dig up sets and drag the animals from their homes to take part in illegal fights against dogs.

Under a pilot scheme the *transmitter is hidden in the set* and detects the vibrations from digging. It transmits the signal to a monitoring centre manned by wildlife enthusiasts.

Dr Gordon McGlone, of the Gloucestershire Trust for Conservation, a leading campaigner for badgers, said that, if the scheme were successful, it would obviate the need for constant on-the-spot surveillance, often at night and in pouring rain.

"There has been an upsurge in the diggers' activities. What we have been finding is that, while badger lovers have been watching over sets, the diggers have been watching the watchers. Once they go, the diggers *move in*," Dr McGlone said.

The new device could easily be moved from set to set, he added.

● A ban on anglers' lead weights of less than 1oz comes into force tomorrow in an effort to stop the annual death toll of 3,000 swans from lead poisoning. Lead-weighted fishing flies are exempted.

The Thames Water Authority is planning heavy fines to deter fishermen using lead weights. There will be a maximum fine of £1,000.

Research into The Singing Detective disease

By Pearce Wright

An illness highlighted by the television series, *The Singing Detective*, in which the central character Michael Gambon suffers from a crippling form of the skin condition psoriasis, is the subject of new research.

An investigation into the disorder, which also affects Dennis Potter, the author of *The Singing Detective*, became possible after a discovery of how to grow sheets of reconstructed human skin in the laboratory. This provided a test tube technique for growing psoriasis cells.

Preliminary work by Dr Christopher Rowland Payne and Professor Ariel Lant at Westminster Hospital, London, has already indicated a more complicated cause of the disorder than previously thought.

Dr Rowland Payne says there is a surprising lack of awareness of the disease, which affects more than 4 per cent of the population and is often unresponsive to treatment.

The illness occurs frequently in patients with a family history of psoriasis. It can affect children, although in most cases it is relatively mild and often limited to knees, elbows and the scalp.

But, as in *The Singing Detective*, the illness can be crippling and excruciatingly painful, covering the whole body.

The new research technique means that layers of normal and defective skin can be analysed in the laboratory as they grow from the size of a pinhead to several inches in diameter.

Dr Rowland Payne, consultant dermatologist at Westminster Hospital, has returned from Paris where he studied with Professor Louis Dubertret, who pioneered the technique for producing reconstructed human skin.

Its use in Britain in looking for a treatment, or possibly a cure, for psoriasis embraces several areas of medical research. It involves collaboration with laboratories at Oxford University, The London Hospital, St John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin in London, and the University Hospital of Wales.

Dr Rowland Payne says research has been handicapped by lack of funds—the project needs £280,000 for further studies—but early results have given a new insight into the mechanism of the disease and have provided a way of testing possible treatments.

Normal skin consists of two parts. The surface layer is called epidermis and is comprised principally of epidermal cells, which grow up to form a multi-layered covering that protects the body from the environment.

The underneath part is called the dermis, and is composed mainly of fibroblasts, which lie in a matrix of fibres made from collagen.

Previous laboratory techniques for growing skin cells have concentrated on either epidermal cells or fibroblasts.

Reconstructed human skin differs fundamentally from other tissue culture techniques in several ways.

Most important, it allows the scientists to examine and analyse the exchange of natural molecules between the two layers as the skin develops from a tiny spot into a mature layer.

During this process, Dr Rowland Payne and his colleagues can examine a cascade of chemical reactions that happen at different stages of development of normal and abnormal growth.

When the red thick blotches of skin of psoriasis appear, there is an alteration in the normal chain of chemical events.

The disorder starts with overactivity in cells in the underlying part of skin, but the biochemical cause appears to originate from cells in the upper layer. It is this sequence of events which the research team is studying in more detail.

In addition, Dr Rowland Payne suggests that the use of reconstructed human skin will provide an alternative to research with patients, volunteers and animals in studies into other diseases, as well as psoriasis.

Portfolio Gold

Best way to end the year

There was just one winner of yesterday's Portfolio Gold prize.

Mrs Betsie Wilson, aged 49, an unemployed schoolteacher of Newmarket, Suffolk, will receive £4,000. Mrs Wilson, who has been playing Portfolio Gold since the game started was absolutely "elated" at being the sole winner. "Being unemployed, the money will come in very handy", she said. "My year has had its ups and downs, and there could not have been a better way to end it."

Readers *who wish to play* the game can obtain a Portfolio Gold card by sending a stamped addressed envelope to:

Portfolio Gold
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Blackburn
BB1 6AJ

Concern for hill walker

French police have been asked to search for a man on a 400-mile walking trip in the Pyrenees *whose family in* Bournemouth, Dorset, have not heard from him for a month.

Robert Stevanato, aged 24, who began the trek in September, failed to collect a monthly parcel sent by his family, and did not, as expected, get in *touch with them* over Christmas. His parents have appealed to the gendarmerie to help trace him.

Robbers use petrol threat

Three masked men threatened to douse an elderly couple with petrol and set them alight in an attack at their home in *Highgate, north London*, yesterday.

The men grabbed the man aged 71 and his wife as they returned from a shopping trip, tied them up, beat them and robbed them of watches, jewellery, a mink coat and a camera. Police said the couple were bruised and shaken.

Ban on bowler

A fast bowler with Surrey County Cricket Club was fined £250 with £50 costs and disqualified from driving for 12 months by Uxbridge magistrates yesterday. David James Thomas aged 27, of Seer Green, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, had pleaded guilty to driving with twice the legal maximum of alcohol in his breath.

Train death

A woman was killed by an express train as she took a short cut home from work *alongside a railway track*. Mrs Roma Frettingham, aged 28, of Hebdon Close, Thatcham, had got off a train at *Thatcham station, near* Newbury, Berkshire, just before the accident.

Baby in a box

A day-old girl was found abandoned in a cardboard box at Bromley Hospital, south-east *London, yesterday*. She was left in a corridor with a note saying: "Please look after Emma Louise better than my girl friend and I can." Police have appealed to the parents to get in touch with them.

Green years

Almost a million trees and shrubs have been planted in Norfolk during the past 10 *years to counteract the effects* of Dutch elm disease. The renewal scheme was introduced after a survey showed that the disease was killing most of the county's elms.

Happier cats

An appeal to give a Christmas dinner to stray cats proved so successful that the food will last until Easter. More than 3,000 tins of food were given to the Avon Rescue Centre by pet lovers in Warwickshire.

Crutches plea

Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge is appealing to former patients to return unwanted crutches and walking sticks. The hospital spends more than £16,000 a year on walking aids, but few are returned.

Police injured

Two policemen were hurt *yesterday when their car was* in collision with a stolen car during a 100mph chase along the M11 in Essex. Two men are being held by Harlow police.

Nose severed

Surgeons attempted yesterday to sew back a man's nose after his dog bit it off as he was walking the animal in *Hailsham, near Eastbourne*, East Sussex. He was not named.

NEW YEAR HONOURS

Awards for Yes Minister duo, Pat Jennings Iris Murdoch,

Life peerage goes to Woodrow Wyatt at head of varied field

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Sir Woodrow Wyatt, chairman of the Tote, former Labour MP and minister, is one of two life peers created in the New Year Honours today – the other is Field Marshal Sir Edwin Bramall, Chief of the Defence Staff from 1982 to 1985.

The newspaper columnist is noted for his outspoken attacks on the left and his autobiography, entitled *Confessions of an Optimist*, heads a list which features many names from the worlds of sport, the arts, music, fashion, business and politics.

The world's most capped goalkeeper, Pat Jennings, of Northern Ireland, Arsenal and Tottenham, receives an OBE to add to the MBE he already holds. After a long career with Spurs and Arsenal, he established a world record of 119 international appearances before retiring after his participation in the World Cup games in Mexico this summer.

Another sportsman to be honoured is Sandy Lyle, the former British Open champion, who gets an MBE.

There is an OBE for Mary Goldring, named by the Broadcasting Press Guild for her outstanding personal contribution to radio as presenter of the current affairs *Analysis* series.

Winning early recognition is Simon Rattle, the brilliant young conductor of the Birmingham Symphony Orcestra who formed his first orchestra at the age of 15; he is made a CBE.

Sir John Summerson, former curator of Sir John Soane's Museum, is made a Companion of Honour for his services to the history of architecture.

A second Companion of Honour is Sydney Brenner, one of the founders of molecular biology.

There is a knighthood for Mr Bernard Ashley, widower of Laura Ashley, founder of the fashion and design group.He and his wife, who died in an accident last year, formed the company 32 years ago and he is now the chairman.

The Queen has used the Royal Victorian Order to give special recognition to six people for services they gave in connection with the Hampton Court Palace fire.


Woodrow Wyatt (Life Peer), 68. Knighted in 1983, he is now chairman of the Totalisator Board after a distinguished journalistic and political career. His many books include The Peril in Our Midst, Turn Again, Westminster and The Exploits of Mr Saucy Squirrel.


Mark Weinberg (Kt), 55, former chairman of the Marketing of Investments Board organizing committee, was responsible for formulating rules governing the selling of life assurance and unit trusts to the public. He was recently appointed deputy chairman of the Securities and Investments Board.


Peter Maxwell Davies (Kt), 52. A composer whose music ranges from opera to carols, chamber music to children's songs, he was awarded the CBE in 1981. He has travelled the world lecturing and conducting.


Terence Beckett (KBE), 63, is retiring shortly as director general of the Confederation of British Industry after more than six campaigning years. He was earlier chairman of Ford Motor in Britain.


Gordon Brook-Shepherd (CBE), 68. Author and journalist, he was a foreign correspondent for 21 years and retired as chief assistant editor of *The Sunday Telegraph*. He has written several books, including *The Anschluss*.


Sheila Quinn (DBE), 66: Awarded CBE in 1978. Nursing adviser to British Red Cross Society and lately president of Royal College of Nursing. Published *Nursing in the European Community* and *Caring for the Carers*.

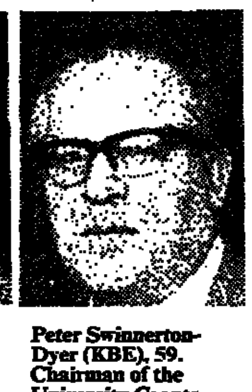

Robin Leigh-Pemberton (PC), 59. Governor of the Bank of England since 1983. Called to Bar, Inner Temple, 1954. Was member of SE Economic Planning Council 1972-74, Prime Minister's Committee on Local Government Rules of Conduct 1973-74.


Raymond Carr (Kt), 67, distinguished Oxford historian and Warden of St Antony's College, Oxford, since 1968. Former member of the National Theatre Board, author of works on the Spanish Civil War and fox-hunting.


Mary Goldring (OBE). A freelance economist and broadcaster who has presented the *Analysis* programme on BBC Radio Four since 1977, she was aviation correspondent, then business editor of *The Economist* 1949-74.


Simon Rattle (CBE), 31. Probably Britain's best-known young conductor, he became principal of the Birmingham Symphony Orchestra in 1980. He sprung to prominence by winning the Bournemouth conducting competition at the age of 19.


Alan Ayckbourn (CBE), 47. One of Britain's most prolific and widely enjoyed dramatists, he has written, directed and produced plays for television and theatre which have consistently received critical and popular acclaim.


Peter Swinnerton-Dyer (KBE), 59. Chairman of the University Grants Committee since 1983. Educated Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge. Professor of mathematics, Cambridge University. Published numerous papers in mathematical journals.

PRIME MINISTER'S LIST

LIFE PEERS
BARONS

Bramall, Field Marshal Sir Edwin (Noel Westby), Lord Lieutenant of Greater London and former Chief of Defence Staff.

Wyatt, Sir Woodrow (Lyle), chairman, Horserace Totalisator Board.

COMPANIONS OF HONOUR

Brenner, Sydney, for services to Molecular Biology.

Summerson, Sir John Newenham, for services to the history of Architecture.

PRIVY COUNCILLORS

Pattie, Geoffrey Edwin, Minister of State, Department of Trade and Industry; Member of Parliament for Chertsey and Walton.

Leigh-Pemberton, Robin (Robert), Governor, Bank of England.

Waddington, David Charles, Minister of State, Home Office; Member of Parliament for Ribble Valley.

KNIGHTS BACHELOR

Alun-Jones, John Derek, Managing Director, Ferranti plc, for services to export.

Ashley, Bernard Albert, chairman, Laura Ashley plc.

Benson, William Jeffrey, chairman, Export Guarantees Advisory Council, for services to export.

Bowness, Peter Spencer, for political and public service.

Brierley, Zachry, for political and public service.

Bright, Keith, chairman and chief executive, London Regional Transport.

Burnett, John Harrison, principal and vice-chancellor, University of Edinburgh.

Carr, Albert Raymond Maillard, historian.

Davies, Peter Maxwell, composer.

Denton, Professor Eric James, for services to Marine Biology.

Dick, John Alexander, lately Sheriff Principal, Glasgow and Strathkelvin.

Duthie, Professor Herbert Livingston, Provost, University of Wales College of Medicine.

Duthie, Robert Grieve (Robin), chairman, Scottish Development Agency.

Elton, Arnold, for political and public service.

Fletcher, Alexander MacPherson, MP for Edinburgh Central, for political service.

Gibb, Francis Ross (Frank), chairman and chief executive, Taylor Woodrow Group.

Graham, Peter Alfred, chairman, Crown Agents.

Hargroves, Robert Louis, for political service.

Hayhoe, Bernard John (Barney), MP for Brentford and Isleworth, for political service.

Landau, Dennis Marcus, chief executive, Co-operative Wholesale Society Ltd.

Lovill, John Roger, lately chairman, Association of County Councils.

Mather, (David) Carol (Macdonnell), MP for Esher, for political service.

Newsam, Peter Anthony, chairman, Commission for Racial Equality.

Scholey, David Gerald, chairman, Mercury International Group plc.

Templeton, John Marks, for charitable services.

Weatherall, David John, Nuffield Professor of Clinical Medicine, University of Oxford.

Weinberg, Mark Aubrey, lately chairman, Marketing of Investments Board Organizing Committee.

Wilson, Robert Donald, chairman, Mersey Regional Health Authority.

ORDER OF THE BATH
KCB

Manzie, (Andrew) Gordon, Second Permanent Secretary and Chief Executive, Property Services Agency.

CB

A B Fallows, ch valuer, Bd of In Rev; R Fellowes, dep private sec to the Queen; L P Hamilton, sec, Dept of Ag and Fish for Scotld; G A Hart, dep sec, DHSS; G A Hosker, dep treas solr; J R Jameson, ltly under sec, DES; G J Jenkins, lgl advr, Min of Ag, Fish and Food; J A Johnson, FCO.

Miss J Kelley, under sec, Treas; J L Kilgour, dir, prison med serv, prison dept, Home Off; M C Neale, asst under sec, MoD; J D Rimington, dir gen, HSE; O Roith, ch engr and scient, DTI; J M Tudhope, reg procurator fiscal, Glasgow and Strathkelvin; R G H Watson, dir, Bldg Res Estab, Dept of Env; R Weston, under sec, Bd of Customs and Ex.

ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE
CMG

J L Roberts, asst under sec, MoD.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE
DBE

Jessel, Mrs Penelope, for political services.

Murdoch, Miss Jean Iris (Mrs Bayley), novelist.

Prendergast, Mrs Simone Ruth, for political and public service.

Quinn, Miss Sheila Margaret Imelda, lately president, Royal College of Nursing.

KBE

Beckett, Sir Terence (Norman), lately Director General, Confederation of British Industry.

Caldecote, Viscount Robert Andrew, Chairman, Investors in Industry Group plc.

Norman, Professor Richard Oswald Chandler, Chief Scientific Adviser, Ministry of Defence.

Swinnerton-Dyer, Professor Sir (Henry) Peter (Francis), Chairman, University Grants Committee.

CBE

A V Alexander, dir, Sedgwick Gp; P W Allsebrook, chmn, TNT (UK); R J Attwell, gr 5, Min of Ag, Fish and Food; A Ayckbourn, playwright; D C Back, for pol and publ serv; J D F Barnes, chmn, Pharmaceuticals Econ Devel Cttee; J G Bell, chmn and mgg dir, Richards (Shipbuilders); P M Biggs, dir, Houghton Poultry Res Stn, Huntngdn; R Birch, ch const, Sussex pol; T R Bone, for serv to educ in Scotld; J M Boyd, for serv to conserv of nat env in Scotld; F G Brook-Shepherd, auth and jrnlst, ltly chf asst ed, Sunday Telegraph; J L Broome, chf exec, Alton Towers.

K Cameron, prof of Eng lang; hd of dept of Eng studies, Nottnghm U; W M Campbell, for pol and publ serv; P Clark-Eddington, actor; C N Clarke, chmn, Bristol and Weston hlth auth; S G Gurney Clarke, for serv to nwspr indust; Miss E M L Cole, mbr, Post Off bd; M G Compton, kpr of museum serv, Tate; R J Cramp, commner, Hist Bldngs and Mnmnts commn for Engld; J H Crouch, ltly dir, mkting, Cable and Wireless; E H Cullinan, sen ptnr, Edward Cullinan Arch; C J Davies, ltly ch exec, Newcastle upon Tyne City Ccl; A J Dewhirst, chmn and ch exec, I J Dewhirst Hldngs; B C R Dodsworth, under sheriff of Yorks; W B Dunn, man dir, Br Wool Marketng Bd.

H Ellis, prof of srgry, Charing Cross and Westminster Med S, London U; D J Evans, gr 4, DoT; R Evans, ch exec, Brit Gas; N G D Ferguson, chmn, N Ireld Housg Exec; P Firmston-Williams, chmn, Covent Gdn Mrkt Auth; D Fisher, co educ offr, Herts; D L Forbes, for pol and publ serv; P B Fraser, ltly asst sec gen, Western Eurpn Union; R A Garrett, chmn, Nat Assoc of Boys' Clubs; P J Grimmer, for pol and publ serv; M J Hampshire, chmn, Dept of Electrnc and Elect Engrg, Salford U; A G Hatchett, dep chmn, P & O Containers; N B Hawthorne, actor; Miss D V Hayward, ch nurs offr, DHSS; Mrs S Hill, for pol serv; R S Hope, ltly dir, Marine Soc; J H Hose, for serv to the agric indust; D H Irvine, ltly chmn of ccl, R Coll of GPs.

Miss S Jefferies, dep dir gen, COI; P M Jefford, dir, Nat Audit Off; N A Jepson, acdmic advr, Prison Serv Coll; J E Jones, chmn, Welsh Water Auth; A S Kark, ltly man dir, Extnl Brdcstng; Mrs R W Kelly, for serv to NHS; W R Knight, mbr, TVEI, nat steerng gp; D A Larkins, chmn, Lansing; Mrs P A Lee, gr 5, Home Off; J Lyles, chmn and ch exec, S Lyles; A G J Macfarlane, for serv to engrg; K L Maidment, pres, Br Film and Tv Prodcrs Assn; G A Marr, chmn, J Marr and Son; D K Mason, prof of oral med, Glasgow U; B J McMaster, gen admintr, Welsh Nat Opera; J L Millar, man dir, William Low and Co; J C Nicholson, dep contr of audit, Audit Commn for Local Auth in Engld and Wales; G M Nissen, for serv to Stock Exchnge; J H Northard, operations dir, Brit Coal; R S O'Brien, ch exec, busnss in commty; T B Owen, man dir, Remploy; C F Payne, ch const, Cleveland pol; Mrs P E Phillips, for pol and publ serv.

A M Rankin, grp ch exec, Scot and Newcstle Brewrs; S D Rattle, conductor; O J Rich, dep chmn, Alfred McAlpine; D G M Roberts, snr ptnr, John Taylor and Sons; V A B Rogers, corp tech staff dir, Westland; E P T Roney, ch commoner, City of Lndn; W M Ross, ltly pres, Roy Coll of Radiolgsts; W G Runciman, chmn, Walter Runciman; Mrs J B Scroxton, pres, YWCA; J B Sharp (now decd), asst sec, DHSS; T Sharp, gr 5, DTI; Miss H B Shuard, dir, nat currclm devel proj, prim init in maths educ; J P Sorrie, ltly convnr, Grampian Reg Ccl; W Stapleton, ltly dir, Nat Assn of Waste Dspsl Contrctrs; D E Stringer, for pol serv; I G Taylor, prof of audiology and educ of deaf, Mnchstr U; N S Thornton-Kemsley, chmn, bd of gov, N of Scotld Coll of Ag; L van Praag, chmn, Sabre Internat Textls.

J Wedgwood, for serv to R Hosp and Home for Incurbls; J Whaley, asst sec, Dept of Energy; G O Whitehead, ltly chmn, Laing Mowlem ARC jt venture; W L Wilkinson, dir, Spent Fuel Mangmnt servs, BNF; F J K Williams, chmn NW Engld and IoM TA and Vol Res Assn; F O G Williams, man dir, Williams Grand Prix engrg; R L Williams, dir, Forensic Sci Lab, Met pol; C Wills, prin insp, Bd of In Rev; H C Woolley, cnsltnt, BICC; A J Young, for pol and publ serv; A J Youngson, chmn, R Fine Art Commn for Scotld.

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C Attwood, chmn, Shildon & Sedgefld Devel Agy; B G Atwood, gen sec, Assn Sci Educ; D C Austin, marine busnss mgr, Rolls Royce; S Baker, ltly mgr dir, Brit Electr Internat; J W G Barr, mbr, Scott Vln Advry Ccl; H B Bassett, dir, internat Consulty Serv, Brit Gas; J Baxter, mbr, Alnwick Dist Ccl; B W Beckett, trdg stnd offr, Avon Cnty Ccl; R D Bell, ltly hd, os div, Nat Inst of Agric Engrg; D M Bevan, hdmast, Rose Hill Spec S, Worcs; W O Binns, prin scient offr, For Commn; Miss Hilary Birking, hdteach, Belstead Spec S, Ipswich; W A H Blair, hdmast, Croxteth S, Liverpool.

R J C Boyd, ch commr, NI Scout Assn; D C A Bradshaw, prin, Doncstr Met Inst of HE; I H Branton, dir, Brit Trust for Consn Vols; F G Brotherston, sen asst ed, Dept of Offcl Rpt, Ho of Cmmns; A F Brown, mgr, M & S Belf; J B C Brown, asst ch commr Scotld, Scout Assn; J G Brown, co-ldr, R Opera Ho Orch; M A Brown, pol serv; A R Brownlie, serv lgl profn Scotld; Miss A Buchanan-Riddell, ltly regr, York U; A Bullen, exec dir, Orkney Is Shipg Co; J H Burrow, dep ch const, Mrsysde; P C Byrom, serv RCA.

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W A Lewis, serv to mining in devel cntrs; J K Lyden, admin dir, Shotton Paper Mills; J J MacAleenan, princ profnl and tech offr, Dept of Env, NI; J S Mackenzie, chm, visitors div, 1986 Commwth Games; E D Mackie, man dir, Govan Shpbldrs; J Matr, pol and publ serv; Mrs J G Marsh, serv to Magstrts' Assn; J R Massey, grp chm and ch exec, Signex Intnatnl; T L McGann, princ prof and tech offr, MoD; R M McLeod, ltly chm, Gen Dental Srvce Cttee, NI; T Meffen, asst ch const, West Midlands pol; F F Millar, convnr, Clackmannan Dist Ccl; F C Mills, ltly hdmstr, Marshalswick S, St Albans; G M W Milsom, v-pres, E Anglia Tourst Bd; P J Mitchell, pol and publ serv; A D Montgomery, gp exprt dir, Stoddard Holdings, serv to exprt; B P Moss, ch exec, No-Aire; Miss P M Mullin, ltly hdteachr, St Gregory's RC Comp S, Kirkby; M H F Murphy, ch offr, Western Ed and Library Bd, NI; A C W Neely, serv to road haulge ind; A Onions, cnty srvyr, Staffs Cnty Ccl; Miss H R Palmer, pol and publ serv.

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R J Balmer, ch designr, mil arcrft div, Kingstn-upn-Thms, BAe; A W Barnes, serv tech and devel mgr, SE Regn, Brit Gas; E G Barnes, ltly hd, Dept of Food and Domest Trades, Southmptn Tech Coll; Mrs M M Barraclough, dir of nursg serv, Airedale Gen Hosp, Airedale HA; Mrs M Barritt, mbr, Bd of Vstrs, HM Prison, Maze; B Bashall, air traff engnr I, coastgd lson offr, CAA; Mrs M L Batey, serv to presvn and restn of hist gdns; Miss B S Beech, dir of nursg serv, Hosp fr Sick Children, Gt Ormond St; D Bell, serv to motr racng; J W Bell, insp, Notts Constab; T S Bell, ltly advis offr grade III, Min of Ag; D B Benatar, pol serv; Mrs K B Benn, pol and publ serv; R Beresford, serv to commty, Hammrsmth and Flhm; Mrs E Bertram, dir and co sec, Bertram Books; A R Bisset, chm, Del Guerra; R F Booth, ltly hghr profnl and tech offr, MoD; R Bostick, cllctr hghr gr, Bd of In Rev; J E Bowden, serv to DoT, Road Cnstrn Schms.

P A Bown, chm and ch exec, Brushes Internatl; F J Bramwell, gr engr (trffc), Bucks Cnty Ccl; J A Briggs, serv to commty, Crich, Derby; M Briggs, dir Middlemace; Mrs R Brightmore, ltly hdtch, Thomas Buxton Inf S, Tower Hamlets; Mrs E M G Brock, serv to commty, Plymouth; Miss B Brosnan, adminstr, Servite House Home for Phys Hndcppd; K H Brown, fire and scrty offr, Wellcome Gp; N I Browning, SEO, DHSS; D J Buckie, dist sec, Oxford TGWU; Mrs M Bull, pol and publ serv; D Burch, sen prof and technol offr, MoD; D W Burleigh, tech dir, Byfleet fctry, Britax Excelsior; R J Burrows, serv to ag, Leics; Miss M H Burton, ltly hdtch, Gateside Deaf Cent, Paisley.

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E M Azzopardi, superv offr, Phil Bureau, Gbrltr; K-H Chan, ch cust offr, Customs and Ex, HK; P-K Chu, snr cler offr, cncls div, HK; Mrs L-H Leung Lo, confdntl asst class I, HK; Mrs K-K Leung Yeung, snr cler offr, Med and Hlth Dept, HK; C Rebora, tech asst, Publ Wks Dept, Gbrltr; V Schembri, srvyr, Customs Dept, Gbrltr; Mrs S-Y Tam Chu, snr inchr, Med and Hlth Dept, HK; K-W To, ch cust offr, Customs and Ex, HK; K-H Yu, centl instr, Civil Aid Servs, HK.

QUEEN'S POLICE MEDAL

M G Farnham, ch supt, RHK Pol; T Richards, commnr, R Montserrat Pol; R C Smallshaw, CPM, asst commnr, RHK Pol.

QUEEN'S FIRE SERVICE MEDAL

J A Bredbury, ch fire offr, HK; T D C Gardiner, ch fire offr, HK.

COLONIAL POLICE AND FIRE SERVICE MEDAL

R O Bell, supt, RHK Pol; D C Butler, snr supt, RHK Pol; A Chalmers, ch insp, RHK Pol; C-K Chan, stn offr, HK Fire Serv; H Chan, snr div offr, HK Fire Serv; S-F Chan, prin firemn, HK; S-T Chang, snr insp, RHK Pol; N-B Dunn, supt, RHK Pol; B Ferguson, snr supt, RHK Pol; A J Ferrige, snr supt, RHK Pol; J F Godden, snr div offr, HK Fire Serv; K-P Kwok, sgt, RHK Pol; H-M Lee, stain sgt, RHK Pol; M-T Lee, K-k Lung, snr insp, RHK Pol; J T McGill, ch supt, Cayman Is Pol; W-Y Man, stain sgt, RHK Pol; C-K Ng, ch supt, RHK Pol; K-Y Tsang, snr div offr, HK Fire Serv; Y-P Tsang, supt, RHK Pol; S-C Wu, snr supt, RHK Pol.

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NEW YEAR HONOURS

DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AND OVERSEAS

KNIGHTS BACHELOR

Allen, Peter Austin Philip Jermyn, lately Chief Justice of Uganda.
Cheung, Oswald Victor, for public services in Hong Kong.

ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE

GCMG

Bullard, Sir Julian, H M Ambassador, Bonn.

KCMG

Audland, Christopher John, lately Director-General for Energy, Commission of the EC, Brussels.
Ewans, Martin Kenneth, British High Commissioner, Lagos.
Goodall, Arthur David Saunders, Foreign and Commonwealth Office.
Thomas, Jeremy Cashel, H M Ambassador, Athens.
Ure, John Burns, H M Ambassador, Brasilia.

CMG

R J Alston, HM Amb, Muscat; J A Birch, Dep Perm Rep, UK Mission to UN, New York; G S Burton, FCO; C D S Drace-Francis, HM Chargé d'Affaires, Kabul; M A Foley, ltly dep Dir-Gen for Develt Co-opertn, Comm of EC, Brussels; P E Hall, ltly FCO; P W Heap, Minister, Brit High Comm, Lagos; A J C E Rellie, FCO; S Stephenson, ltly Brit Consul-Gen, Vancouver; M L Tait, HM Amb, Abu Dhabi; E M West, ltly dep Dir-Gen, FAO Rome.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

CBE

E G Baber, ltly Justice of the High Crt, HK; R Hutcheon, for serv to jrnlsm, HK; A A Kinch, ltly hd of Reg Pol Div, Comm of the EC, Brussels; P B Naylor, ltly Brit Cel Rep, Greece; C H Seaward, ltly HM Con-Gen, Rio de Janeiro.

OBE

Col G Bevan, Salv Army, welf serv to commty, Pakistan; R D Butterfield, serv to commty, Bermuda; J W Chambers, sec, Govt Secretariat, HK; B P Chenery, ltly Brit Cncl rep, Lesotho; V Chou Wen-hsien, serv to commrc, HK; T H Davies, serv to ag devel, Falkld Is; J M Dinwiddie, Brit Ccl Reg Rep, Calcutta; W A Ebrahim, serv to Brit econ intrsts, New York; N M Gleeson, Regr Gen, HK; A S Green, ltly fst sec (Commercl), HM Emb, Tel Aviv.

Miss P B Harrison, Consul, Brit Con-Gen, Dusseldorf; C N M James, ltly fst sec, Brit High Comm, New Delhi; J E Jellis, med and welf serv to commty, Zambia; R L Keating, Hon Brit Con, Tenerife; J G Lindsay, ltly 1st sec (Consular), Brit High Comm, Lagos; C Montesrrio, med welf serv to commty, Gibraltar; G H Pecover, ltly consul (Commercl), Brit Con-Gen, Dusseldorf; Dr K M Robertson, med and welf serv to commty Malawi; G R Stiven, 1st sec, HM Emb, Moscow; J T Thorpe, Dir Cvl Avtn, HK; R P Whitlock, 1st sec (Admin), Brit High Comm, Nicosia; Miss E Wong Bei-lee, serv to text indust, HK; J T Wright, Cultrl Attache (Brit Cncl), HM Emb, Quito.

MBE

Mrs E Bracken, stengphr, Brit Con-Gen, Auckland; Lady J E Bremridge, welf serv to mntly handcpd, HK; K C Chan, sen conl (Telecoms), PO, HK; J Chuen M-h, welf serv to commty, HK; E Devan, admin, Min of Educ, Bermuda; P C Dunn, admin offr, HM Emb, Aden; M G Dutton, ltly Attache, HM Emb, Beirut; R B Edmonds, serv to Brit commty, Los Angeles; J H Evans, prin inf offr, Inf Serv Dept, HK; L A Facio, valtn offr, Crown Lands Dept, Gibrltr.

Miss M Hayes, nurs and welf serv to commty, Niger; J L S Hislop, dir cvl avtn, Cayman Is; the Rev W H Howes, serv to commty, Montserrat; Mrs M P Jackson, serv to Brit commty, Cebu, Philippines; M G Jeffery, ltly int staff, Nato, Brussels; H-L Kwong, sen supt, customs and ex serv, HK; E R Lawrence, Hon Brit Con, Monterrey, Mexico; D Lee S-t, dir of admin, Brit Ccl, HK.

Miss M C A Lines, ltly PA to HM Consul, Durban; Miss A L Lupo, v-con, Brit Con-Gen, Marseilles; Miss M J McShera (Sr Cyril), nurs and welf serv to commty, Kenya; Dr Mok W-r, dep comm, Auxly Med Serv, HK; D G Mortlock, ltly sen supt, RHKP; C J Pizarro, ser to educ, Gibrltr; Mrs I H Pringle, serv to ex-Servicmn, Dublin.

C E Rance, publ serv, Bermuda; Countess Mrs A Rey, Perm Sec, Anguilla; Miss M d P Reynolds, sorl sec to HM Amb, Lisbon; A A Robinson, dep fin sec, Turks and Caicos Is; D M Rowe, ltly asst comm of Pol, Kenya; R F Suter, 2nd Sec, HM Emb, Bonn; Miss D E Tabernacle, nurs and welf serv to commty, Ghana; P H Walker, civ sec, Fire Serv Dept, HK; J Walters, serv to Brit shippng intrsts, Kenya; Mrs I J A Zimmermann, comml asst, HM Emb, Berne.

IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER

H M A Bristow, dep dir, Urban Serv Dept, HK; Li T-m, asst dir of muncpl serv, HK; F D Roome, prin Govt Land Agt, HK.



Viscount Caldecote (KBE), 69, retires next July after seven years as chairman of 3i (Investors in Industry).



Roger Birch (CBE), 56, head of Sussex force, is due to become president of the Association of Chief Police Officers.



Sandy Lyle (MBE), leading British golfer who has won 16 important tournaments including the British Open in 1985.



Kenneth Maidment (CBE), 64, President of the British Film and Television Producers Association since 1976.



Graham Dowling (OBE), 49. Opening batsman who captained New Zealand in 19 of his 39 Tests before back problems brought retirement in 1972.



Barney Hayhoe (Kt), 61, Tory MP for Brentford and Isleworth. Minister of State, Treasury, 1981-85 and previous government posts.



Iris Murdoch (DBE), 67. Novelist, poet, philosopher and playwright. She was made a CBE in 1976. Her novels include *The Bell*, and *The Sea*.



Bernard Hesketh (MBE), 60, retired in August after more than 30 years as a BBC news cameraman in which he covered the Falklands conflict.



Frank Gibb (Kt), 59, was appointed chairman and chief executive of Taylor Woodrow, one of Britain's largest construction companies.



Alexander Fletcher (Kt), 57, Tory MP for Edinburgh Central since 1973. Former junior Scottish minister and consumer affairs minister.



Pat Jennings (OBE), 41, goalkeeper for Watford, Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal; played in record number of first-class matches (1,097).



Field Marshal Sir Edwin Bramall (Life Peer), 63. Former Chief of the Defence Staff. Sir Edwin was commander, British Forces in Hong Kong, 1973-76

ROYAL VICTORIAN ORDER

GCVO

Hamilton of Dalzell, Baron John d'Henin.

KCVO

Batten, John Charles.
Pullen, William Reginald James.

CVO

Maj S G B Blewitt; Maj R A G Courage; D G Illingworth.

LVO

Canon A D Caesar; P E Curnow; P W Flaxman; J P Kyle; G G N Mackenzie; Canon J G M W Murphy; V L Seyd.

MVO

D Chappell; Mrs E Craig-Cooper; R L Day; Capt P M Heming, RM; G A Hiscock; V G Jewell; Miss R W Menzies; Insp F G Smith, Met Pol; R E Wilson.

For services in connection with the Hampton Court fire.
Mrs J M Band; J Cowell; G George; I K Gray.

ROYAL VICTORIAN MEDAL (Silver)

P C Althow; M N Bliss; C J J Bray; Sgt P J Bruton, RAF; Mrs E M Carpenter; J E Clark; H G Court; PO WEM (Radio) A R J Daughtry; Corp T N Davies, RAF; J J W Devonshire; V J Dunstan; B E Farrow; Mrs N Fenwick; G Fowler; G L Godfrey; CPO Steward J I Maudsley; R J Pine; Sgt R Porter, Met Pol; A E Robinson; F Smith.

For services in connection with the Hampton Court fire.
J R Daniel; K Taylor.

ROYAL VICTORIAN MEDAL (Honorary)

M. G S Georges.

IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER

B O Bennett, prin profnl and technol offr, MoD; J D Brazier, prin scient offr, Dept of Env; O J Breeden, ltly Grade 7, Paymast Gen Off; Miss M D Burke, prin, DHSS; H T Carden, Gr 6, MoD; R A Chiverton, FCO; R Grant, ltly ch examr, Bd of In Rev; H E R Greatorex, prin, Bd of In Rev; M A E Gubby, Gr 6, Dept of Empt; J K Haines, sen site contr and trg offr, Home Off; J D Hiam, asst collec, Bd of Customs and Ex; N H Hyde, prin mgr, Brmnghm Intgrd Loc Off, DHSS; L G Jenkins, prin, MoD.

R E Judd, sen prin, DES; A C J Kirkham, ch elect meter examr, Dept of Energy; R Lee, curatorial offr Gr C, MoD; R D Mahers, prin tognml and prsnl offr, Cabinet Off; Capt R L Newbury, ch surv, DoT; C A Nolan, Gr 7, DTI; D L Parkhurst, prin profl and technol offr, MoD; R Patton, prin, Scot Home and Hlth Dept; R C Sturtivant, ltly prin, Prin Regy Family Div, Lord Chancellor's Dept; Miss P Terry, insp, Bd of In Rev.

GRENADA

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

OBE

C A John, serv to educ; J E Butler, publ serv.

MBE

D E Hypolite, serv to educ; L A Robert, serv to educ; J E Daniel, serv to commty.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

A A Lewis, serv as shpwrght, seafarer; D B Joseph, serv as shpwrght, fshrmn.

MAURITIUS

Knight Bachelor

Raffray, Piat Joseph Raymond Andre, QC, for public service and service to the legal profession.

ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE

CMG

P V Y Lagesse, serv to bnkng.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

CBE

A V Chettiar, pol and publ serv; A V C Fon Sing, serv to trde and ind; D Ramdharry, vol soc wrk, serv to ind.

OBE

M Y Betuel, prom of shipping; G Jingree, vol soc wrk; R T Naik, serv in fld of fmly planning.

MBE

P Ganeshan, serv to prmry educ; Mrs M L S Gelle, serv to nrsng; P Hookoom, vol soc wrk; P Luximow, vol soc wrk; B Mutty, vol soc wrk; R Ramchurn, vol soc wrk; C Ramduny, vol soc wrk; S Sunassee, vol soc wrk; R B Tacoordyal, vol soc wrk.

IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER

A B Khadaroo, publ serv.

MAURITIUS POLICE MEDAL

L F R Assarapin, ltly ch insp; R Lacharmante, ltly sgt; R F Rangapanaiken, ltly pc.

FIJI

ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE

CMG

C Walker, Min for Primary Inds.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

CBE

Mrs J Perks, publ serv.

OBE

P J Doyle, serv to toursm; R S Q Nawalowalo, publ serv; S M K Sherani, serv to muslim commty.

MBE

M R Akbar, serv to scouting, commty; S L Bigan, serv to ag, commty; R I Buaserau, serv to med care, commty; Mrs K T Bouwalu, serv to sprt, commty; R Singh, serv to publ trnsprt, commty.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

M S Ali, serv to commty; T L Joe, publ serv; D M M Khan, publ serv; Mrs M Mucunabitu, publ serv; K P Nair, serv to ag, commty.

British Empire Medal

G R Andrews, prot and gen supervy C, MoD; Mrs P A Andrews, toy libry org, Holme Valley, WRVS; B Armil, gen frmn, Stevenage, Space and Communs Div, BAe; Mrs K Armstrong, serv to commty, Fortrose, Ross-shire; R C Attwood, ch photoprinter, DTI; G M Bain, const, Strathclyde; Mrs J W Baker, serv to commty, Lavenham, Suffolk; V M Ball, asst supplies offr, Dept of Env; S J Bamford, club mgr, RAF St Mawgan, Naafi.

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A Bielby, serv to commty, Darlngtn; C G Blunt, frmn, For Commn; E C Bolton, serv to commty, Cardiff; S W Bowman, ltly fitter/trnr, MoD; Mrs D N Bown, cenl org, Mortlake and E Sheen Chs Flwshp of serv; F H L Boxer, serv to Friends of Harperbury Hosp Assn; J T W Briggs, frmn crane dvr, Swadlincote Wrkshps, Brit Coal; L Broadhurst, FCO.

J Burton, sgt, Notts Constab; Miss R Campbell, sub-PO asst, Balivanich, Benbecula; D G Chalk, indr, Wilton and Dist Yth Bnd; E S Chambers, engr frmn, Southmptn Gen Hosp; G Charlery, prod oprtve, Birds Eye Walls; R W Chawner, soc offr, W Midlds PTE; C B Cheeseman, const, Met Pol; J G Childs, clerk class III, NI prison serv; D R Clark, distrib offr, Wales reg, Brit Gas; J R Clark, area cntrlr, Ashington Water Supply Depot, Northumbrn Water Auth; B G Clay, machine asst, HMSO.

E Coleman, ltly track chgmn, LMR, BR; D L Collins, bosun, Brit and Commwlth Ships; A S Cooke, ltly crane optr, NI Rlys; J Cornett, sgt, RUC; P Cotsonis, FCO; Mrs J C Colliss, fostr prnl, Cambs soc serv dept; H J Couch, quality cntrl offr, Burtons Gold Medal Biscuits; J H Coundon, gen frmn (civil), Pl of Sunderland Auth; Mrs N E Cowin, serv to Lge of Frnds, R Morsden Hosp; P Craigie, sec, E Reg, Scot Jun FA; Mrs E M Cummin, blind club org, York, WRVS.

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C Fraser, dvr, Southmptn City Trans; H Friend, const, S Wales; F H Gallimore, ltly crtkr, Leftwich HS, Norwich; G A Gardner, serv to Scout Assn, Essex; J Garrity, insp, James Howden; R E Gear, crtkr, Folkestone S ir Grls; Mrs K Gem, serv to commty, Carlisle; Mrs J B Gentry, ch obs (W), No 4 Group, Colchstr, ROC; J Gibson, stockmn, Moredun Res Inst; D Gilmartin, const, Gtr Manch; M W Grattan, dep, Thoresby Collry, Notts, Brit Coal.

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R C M Thomson, crtr gde F, Nat Mus of Scot; Miss R S Todd, sgt, RUC; F W Tomlin, serv to commty, Redditch, Worcs; J C K Trewhella, prof and technol offr, MoD; A Truscott, frmn electrn, Amoco Fabrics; F W J Tuvey, stores offr, gr D, MoD.

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A Whitehead, princ process superv, Sellafield, BNF; H Whitehead, dvr, LMR, BR; J D Whitehouse, asst stly offr, Lea Hall Coll, W Area, Brit Coal; A R Wignall, cxswn, Lytham St Annes Lfbt, RNLI; S Wilkinson, aux cst grd i/c, Ballintoy Cst grd Rescue, NI; F V F Williams, sen shop stewd, AEU, Westland; G W Wiseman, portr, Gilbert Bain Hosp, Shetlnd Hlth Bd; J McN Witherspoon, retnd sub-offr, Fire Auth for NI; W I Witts, snr div frmn, Gloucs CC; V J Woolley, suprvsg postmn hghr gr, Spilsby, Boston area; Mrs G Wyatt, serv to Charnwood Nursry Centl, Chesh; C E Yorke, ltly wrhse mgr, Flowers Trnspt.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

KNIGHT BACHELOR

Sarei, Dr Alexis Holyweek, for services to diplomacy and public and community affairs.

ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE

CMG

G Warena, MP, publ and commty serv.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

DBE

Kekedo, Mrs Mary, for services to community and women's affairs.

CBE

Brown Bai, publ serv.

OBE

I R Anderson, serv to sprt and educ; D Babaga, serv to commty esp sav gs and loans socs; L Donga, serv to commty and publ; Dr G J McArthur, commty serv and emergy relf wk; S Patalilu, publ serv; T Poga, publ and commty serv; P W Quodling, serv to commrc and commty affrs; L C Seta, serv to jrnlsm; Mrs (Sr) M Soroda, serv to nursg and commty.

MBE

D H Briggs, serv to commrce; D Bryan, serv as volntr srch and resc co-ordntr; H Daroa, serv to constbly and commty; Mrs W Dirla, serv to wmn's affrs and pol; S Gila, commty serv; P Kero, RPNG Constb; W P Lalu, publ and commty serv; B Moide, commty serv; R Nana, PNGDF; Ms (Sr) H Roberts, serv to nrsg and commty; E Wari, publ serv.

IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER

Dr R Q Reilly, publ serv.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

F Anama, commty serv; K Bi, publ serv; Miss M Dredge, serv to scoutg; D Ganoga, commty serv; ch asst Corrctnl Offr G Jasuso, PNG Prsn Serv; S Kawale, serv to publ and commty; Sr Sgt K Kepi, RPNG Constb and Pol Bnd; E Lelegi, serv as publ serv dvr; R G Misi, serv to scoutg; N Tau, serv as publ serv dvr; 1st Cnstble V Tau, RPNG Cnstb and Pol Bnd; N I Toraso, publ serv; P Toua, commty serv.

(Military Division)

WO (Stf-Sgt) E R Booea, PNGDF; L-Col J Damby, PNGDF; Col S Kabu, PNGDF; Sgt Y Sanga, PNGDF.

QUEEN'S POLICE MEDAL

G O Buka, ch insp; R Korus, ch supt.

ST LUCIA

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

OBE

J E Edmunds, St Lucia Amb to US.

MBE

M P Toussaint, serv to educ and commty; M T S George, serv to educ and Girl Guides.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

M Daniel, serv to commty and Red Cross; L Felix, serv to educ and commty.

ST VINCENT AND GRENADINES

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

MBE

O'N S Barrow, ltly perm sec, Min of Ext Affrs; L E Findlay, serv to commty rels, London.

ST CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

MBE

Mrs E M Blackett, serv to commty.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

J O Brookes, serv to commty; C S Hunkins, serv to commty; Mr E Pemberton, serv to commty.

BELIZE

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

OBE

S Diaz Sr, serv to commty.

MBE

Miss M Bahadur, serv to indwfry; Mrs E V Charley, serv to educ, commty.

NEW ZEALAND

KNIGHTS BACHELOR

McMullin, Duncan Wallace, Judge of the Court of Appeal.
Renouf, Francis Henry, for philanthropic services.

ORDER OF THE BATH

CB

R Adml L J Tempero, RNZ Navy.

ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE

CMG

A M Begg, chmn, NZ Meat Producers Bd.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

DBE

Clay, Dr Marie M, for services to education.
Fraser, Mrs Dorothy R, for services to the Otago Hospital Board and the community.

CBE

R G Collins, publ serv; Dr D M Davin, serv to lit; R H L Ferguson, serv to med, educ, local govt and commty; G A Hitchings, NZ Forces, S-E Asia; Mrs A M Holst, serv to home science; Mrs J M Keith, serv to nrsng; E J Neilson, serv to mktg, exprt and commty; E M Prichard, ltly judge of High Crt; K O Thompson, commr NZ pol; Mrs M A Tiller, for serv to commty.

OBE

E A Cammell, serv to meat indust and local body affairs; W R Donaldson, RNZ Air Force; G T Dowling, serv to crickt; R W Earp, serv to kiwifruit indust; J L Fahy, mgg dir, Accident Compensation Corp 1981-85; D K Hamilton, serv to tourst indust; T J Harris, publ serv; L A Johnson, serv to lit; J R Joyce, serv to local body and trade union affrs; D McGregor, Terr Frce; D MacLean, serv to local body affrs.

J F Mann, serv to educ and commty; W H Martin, serv to fishing indust; J R Milne, serv to tourst indust and commty; Mrs E M Page, serv to art; Dr W J Pryor, serv to anaesthics and med prof; K J Robertson, RNZ Navy; W J Robertson, serv to educ; L M Sievens, NZ pol; N B Ullrich, serv to sprt; Mrs V I M Young, serv to athl.

MBE

Mrs M E Bamford, serv to educ; G N Bartlett, serv to entrtnmnt; J R Bright, RNZ EME; Miss L M Brook, serv to musc; F J Cameron, serv to crckt; C L Campbell, RNZ Navy; T M Chapman, sec to Govt of Niue Alofi, Niue; M G Check, serv to educ and commty; A E Coales-Earl (Mrs Armstrong), serv to commty; Mrs H L Coller, serv to commty; F L Coutts, serv to trade union mvmnt and commty.

J A M Dougall, NZ pol; Mrs V I Dowie, serv to women; D J Janus, serv to commty; M A McDowell, serv to commty; Mrs J I McInnes, serv to commty; J D McNab, ltly dir (sp duties), Min of Ag and Fish; E P Markham, serv to commty; R G Moffat, serv to lcl govt; Mrs L J Murdoch, serv to hcky and crckt; I B Otene, RNZ Inf Regt; J S Phillips, lts dir of clincl serv div, Dept of Hlth; N A Reynolds, serv to Baptist Ch and commty; I S Russell, serv to swmmg and commty; Mrs R H Somerville, serv to adult educ; M J Turnbull, RNZ Air Frce; E M Wainscott, serv to arch prison; J Williams, serv to commty.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

(Military Division)

PO P Cullen, RNZ Navy; Sgt CN Everill, RNZ Air Force; W Off II L J Janett, RNZ Corps of Trnsprt; Staff Sgt L T Nicholas, Terr Frce, RNZ Inf Reg.

QUEEN'S SERVICE ORDER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

R L Hall, Judith, Lady Hay; P G McCormack, Miss E Mayall (Sr M Catherine); P A Walden

QUEEN'S SERVICE ORDER FOR PUBLIC SERVICES

J C C Bird; W K Cameron; J E Keaney; P H C Lucas, ltly dir gen of Lands; G B Nelson, prv te sec to Min of the Crown; E M Olala; C P Powles; A T Rogers; Mrs J Velvin

QUEEN'S SERVICE MEDAL FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Mrs J M Andrews; Mrs J M Armstrong, Mrs V M Bedingfield, Mrs J B Bennett; Mrs M G Burman; Mrs E C J Campbell; M C (James) Chiu; Mrs B Climo; Mrs M J Fage; Mrs E I Fitzpatrick; C Gaiger; Mrs J B Gainer; L W Graham; Mrs L V J Gunn, E T Haddock; J J Harley; C K Hawea, A J Heine, D P Heinz, J Lloyd; Mrs B V Montgomerie, C E Munro; L F J Shalders; L F Sibeh, W H Straw; E Te Paa; B C J Turpin; T T H S Waru; W A Whitehead, Mrs A J Wilting; Mrs D L L Yarrall

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Mrs M Naumala; A G Paine, G Pickering; Mrs M E Powell; R G Powell; F A G Rakich; J A Reedman; Mrs M Stephens, P F L Stephenson; L G Troll, Mrs A E Van Gaalen; T S Wilson; A L Wolfe

QUEEN'S FIRE SERVICE MEDAL

E P H Smith, fire cdr and ch fire offr, Taupo Fire Brig, M J Robinson, third offr, Carterton Fire Brig; R J Kerr, stn offr, Sumner Vol Fire Brig.

QUEEN'S SERVICE MEDAL FOR PUBLIC SERVICES

W A Apes, L N Matheson, C Berquist and T L Henderson, all sen cnstbls, NZ pol

QUEEN'S POLICE MEDAL

G C Cunneen, det ch insp, NZ pol.

THE QUEEN'S COMMENDATION FOR VALUABLE SERVICE IN THE AIR

Flt Lt R Howard.

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

CBE

C L Lake, surg specist, med advsr to gov.

MBE

A R A Lewis, serv to musc, commty.

BARBADOS

ORDER OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE

KCMG

Tudor, James Cameron, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Leader of the Senate.

TUVALU

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

MBE

Dr T Kofe, Gov MO.

QUEEN'S POLICE MEDAL

D S Aitchison, ass ch const, Strathclyde; J Mck Anderson, ch supt, Northumbria; T W Bailey, ch supt, Derbyshire; R Basham, ch supt, Cleveland; B Brice, ch supt, HM Inspl of Constab; J W Carlton, ch supt, N Yorkshire; H G Clark, dep ch const, Lothian and Borders; R Collingwood, ch supt, Hertfordshire; A N Cooper, ch supt, W Yorkshire.

C W Evans, asst ch const, S Wales; M J Evans, dep asst comm, Met Pol; J A B Gordon, const, Met Pol; K G Graham, insp, RUC; G P Hammond, const, Met Pol; M A Hutley, insp, Dorset; W, Highlands, ch supt, RUC; R Innes, dep asst comm, Met Pol; O Kelly, comm, City of Lndn; N G Ovens, dep ch const, Cheshire; J Reddington, ch const, UKAEA; C J Rideout, cdr, Met Pol; C B Wood, cdr, Met Pol.

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E S Sargeant, asst ch offr, Cheshire; B A Leech, sen div offr, Suffolk; H G Stinton, dep ch offr, Hants; D J Howarth, dep ch offr, W Yorkshire; L E Smith, div offr I, Shropshire; M J Hughes, asst ch offr, Essex; J Fowler, sen div offr, London; S H Walker, asst ch offr, NI.

THE QUEEN'S COMMENDATION FOR VALUABLE SERVICE IN THE AIR

M Betts, ch test pilot and instrmt rating examr, Bristow Helcptr Gp.

Enterprise allowance scheme

The trials of getting cash for a small business

By Ronald Faux
Employment Affairs Correspondent

Pete Edwards and Carol Sharpe, a pair of recently fledged business executives from Liverpool, believe they have something to teach people who think they can escape unemployment by setting up their own business with government help.

They have discovered it is neither a ready path to instant wealth nor an easy answer to the dilemma faced by more than three million jobless people.

Both were unemployed when they started their business, Reindeer Hampers, a year ago on their combined enterprise allowance grants, but they have faced many hard times since then.

Pete, aged 38, had to forfeit his £95 per week unemployment benefit and allowances to enroll on the £40 a week enterprise scheme for the self-employed.

Sadly the business did not get off to a flying start and they were surprised when a local exhibition advertising the enterprise scheme presented them as an example of success.

"We were actually hanging on by the skin of our teeth at the time, with few thanks to any of the schemes that are supposed to finance enterprise in Liverpool," Pete said.

It may be, of course, that the line of business chosen by them was unwise. If so, no one advised them against going ahead.

"No one said we should think of another way and we both believe that a hamper business that gives good value for money should succeed, especially in Liverpool.

"It is the cheapest possible way of making sure there is food in the house at Christmas time for families with limited means," Carol said.

Clients buy the hampers through agents on monthly instalments.

Each contains a selection of tinned and packaged food, provided at a net saving of about 7 per cent off the cheapest possible retail price. The saving is achieved by dealing direct with manufacturers and ordering in bulk.

It is a simple idea and one that has made several fortunes in the Liverpool area, where the Christmas hamper is a popular tradition.

They cost between £5 for a small selection of food suitable as a gift and £80 for the groaning, luxurious variety.

A network of agents was set up to act for Reindeer Hampers, but the company quickly ran into a cash flow problem.

Pete said: "We went to seven different banks for help and they turned us down. They laughed at the financial guarantees offered to small businesses.

"We also went to 14 different organizations locally for backing. Some were extremely helpful with advice, but no one would actually produce the hard cash any business needs in its early stages.

"Our competitors present their hampers in colour brochures in lavish style that we have no hope of affording. In fact we make a virtue of our black and white brochure. People are paying for the actual food and not the gloss."

An approach to the Department of Trade and Industry for regional development grants fared well at first, with sums of £100,000 being mentioned for warehouse and working accommodation. But it turned out that only 5 per cent of what the business needed would be available in actual grant.

"We would have had to find all the rest ourselves. We went right up the garden path and back down again. Every alternative had a Catch 22," Pete said.

The most promising remaining possibility is a grant of £3,000 from the Department of Trade and Industry to anyone who succeeds in creating a job that lasts for more than a year.

Both Pete and Carol qualify for that, although much of their working time is spent searching for funds with which to run their business or producing cash flow forecasts and business plans for potential backers.

The money has yet to arrive and meanwhile Reindeer Hampers is bumping along on an overdraft secured on their joint home.

Pete said: "I was a soldier, I'll keep fighting. We are growing slowly and we are determined to make it. But anyone who thinks that setting up a business is an easy way out is in for a shock."

Carol said: "We have got a viable idea but we need the resources to get it further off the ground.

"We have a service to offer – cheap food for people without jobs and we've got the enthusiasm to make it work. But all the red tape and qualifications we've met have made me very cynical about all this proposed help to industry that is advertised."

An enterprise officer at Merseyside Education Training and Enterprise Limited, a joint local authority and Manpower Services Commission Organization, which helped Reindeer with business advice during its first year, claims that seven out of 10 businesses they help survive longer than three years.

But the officer admitted: "It is true that so many institutions offer loans – until you actually get round to asking them."

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WORLD SUMMARY

Army major may face ANC charges

Johannesburg (Reuter) – South African police yesterday confirmed that they were holding a white army officer, and local press reports said he was likely to face charges of spying for the banned African National Congress (ANC).

Lieutenant-General Ian Gleeson, acting chief of the South African Defence Force (SADF), said earlier this month that a soldier had been arrested for alleged subversive activity. Local press reports named him yesterday as Major Andre Pienaar, an officer believed to be attached to military intelligence.

An unsourced report in the Johannesburg *Star* linked his alleged espionage to "the activities of the ANC", the main guerrilla group fighting white domination in South Africa.

A police spokesman confirmed that Major Pienaar was being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act which permits indefinite detention without trial with no access to lawyers. The *Star* report said two more people were believed to have been detained in the investigation.

A crop of gold

Warsaw (Reuter) – Gardeners in Leszno, western Poland, could have a fortune buried under their allotments, according to the PAP news agency.

It said that a recently discovered manuscript indicated that gold treasure was buried near a place called "Lesno" in 1572.

The gold was being taken from France to Poland in 1572 when the convoy was attacked.

Church car check

Jerusalem – The cars of senior Christian churchmen are to be searched at the Allenby Bridge between Jordan and Jerusalem (Ian Murray writes).

The order affects four Roman Catholic, three Greek Orthodox and one Armenian church cars. Israelis deny any suggestion that the churchmen would smuggle, but say others, might try to hide things in them.

Budapest reshuffle



Budapest (Reuter) – Hungary has appointed a new finance minister and planning chief to oversee the shake-up in its banking and planning system.

Mr Laszlo Marothy, left, a former deputy Prime Minister, becomes President of the National Planning Office, replacing Mr Lajos Fulevegi. The new Finance Minister is Mr Peter Medgyessy, who replaces Mr Istvan Hetenyi.

Tomorrow five profit-orientated commercial banks will take over from the National Bank the job of running accounts for state enterprises.

Bail refused

Bangkok – Thirty-three men, most of them Army NCOs and junior officers on trial for attempting to overthrow the Thai Government last year, were denied bail again yesterday (Neil Kelly writes).

The seven chief defendants were given bail almost a year ago. A court ruled that there were no grounds for giving the defendants temporary freedom and rejected claims that they were not being treated in the same was as the alleged plot leaders.

Left for the dogs

Athens – Greek police have launched an intensive search for the driver of a car who, after running over a pregnant woman, instead of driving her to a hospital, abandoned her in a deserted plot along the national highway (Mario Modiano writes). Her body was found later, mangled by wild dogs.

Police have issued a detailed description of the wanted man obtained from two people who had helped him carry the woman into his car.

Punjab strike bites

Delhi – Telephone wires running alongside railway lines were cut in several areas of Punjab yesterday, the second day of a *hartal* (closure of shops and businesses and traffic stoppages) called by the All India Sikh Students Federation (Kuldip Nayar writes). Most trains and buses were stopped and most people remained in their homes.

Railway sources said telephone wires were cut on branch railway lines. Only two instances of sabotage on trunk routes were reported to the police and they did no damage.

Even shops belonging to Hindus remained closed in different parts of the state. At Phagwara, near Jallandhar, about 300 Sikh youths blocked the Grand Trunk road, between Amritsar and Delhi for five hours.

In Phagwara town, a clash between Hindus and Sikhs was averted by the police who persuaded the groups to take their processions along different routes.



Victoria Justiniani, centre, spokeswoman for the underground women's group Makibaka, which accuses President Aquino of the Philippines of breaking election promises, leads guerrillas in a protest song during a press conference at a rebel stronghold in Quezon province, south-east of Manila.

Jungle rail link opens in Gabon

Franceville, Gabon, (AFP) – The French Prime Minister, M Jacques Chirac, whose country is at present in the grip of a national rail strike, visited the West African state of Gabon yesterday to open a multi-billion-pound railway cut through the tropical jungle.

M Chirac rode with President Omar Bongo of Gabon, and President Denis Sassou Nguesso from neighbouring Congo, along part of the 400-mile Trans-Gabon line, which links the Gabonese coast to Mr Bongo's home town of Franceville.

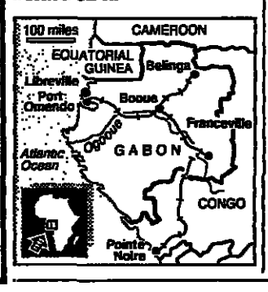
The line, which the World Bank refused to finance, has taken 13 years and cost some £2 billion to build.

Although it is expected to carry tropical timber and manganese from the Gabonese interior, the railway is not expected to become profitable in the near future.

It has been built across some of the most difficult terrain on earth and was started in 1974.

The consortium CCI Eurotrag was formed specially for its construction by 19 firms from six countries – Belgium, Britain, France, West Germany, Italy and The Netherlands. It is one of the world's, as well as black Africa's, most ambitious civil engineering projects.

The World Bank considered the scheme economically unsound. But Mr Bongo, whose oil-rich country, a former French colony, is one of the smallest but wealthiest in Africa, argued that it was the "spine" of the economy and a symbol of national unity and other aid donors, led by France and the European Community, stepped into the breach. More than 4,000 men from about 20 countries worked on it.



Kaunda and Mugabe in surprise meeting

Frontline sacrifices expected as decision on sanctions looms

From Jan Raath, Harare

Leaders of Zambia and Zimbabwe held a surprise meeting yesterday at which they were widely expected to be putting finishing touches to their plan to implement the Commonwealth mini-summit recommendations for sanctions against South Africa.

Dr Kenneth Kaunda, the President of Zambia and the chairman of the southern African frontline states grouping, and Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister of Zimbabwe, flew to the northern Zimbabwe resort town of Kariba, accompanied by finance and trade ministers, for talks devoted to what was described as "regional issues". At the end of their talks late in the afternoon it was said the two had discussed "joint economic ventures to reduce economic dependence on South Africa".

The meeting followed a full gathering of all six leaders of the frontline states, which also include Angola, Mozambique, Tanzania, and Botswana, on December 21. No communique was issued after the meeting, which was disrupted by President Kaunda's departure after he was told of the death of one of his sons.

Officials here, however, confirmed that the six-hour meeting was devoted considerably to discussion of timing for the implementation of the 11-point August mini-summit recommendations.

Observers believe Mr Mugabe may well use his regular New Year's Eve address tonight to make an announcement. He, Dr Kaunda and their Cabinet ministers have frequently stated since August that the recommendations will be implemented "by the end of the year".

In the months of apparent inactivity since the mini-summit, scepticism has grown here among some of the business community about Mr Mugabe's sincerity in implementing restrictions that are expected seriously to damage his country's economy, and those of the other frontline states which participate.

However, others point to Mr Mugabe's deep and emotional repugnance to apartheid and his obvious willingness to put his money where his mouth is when it comes to isolating Pretoria on every front possible.

Government officials here say that behind the apparent inactivity has been a host of private contacts between the frontline and Commonwealth countries, as Mr Mugabe and Dr Kaunda try to coordinate a final announcement.

Observers are also hopeful that Mr Mugabe's new-year address will contain another announcement – that of unity between his ruling Zanu (PF) Party, and the opposition Zapu Party of Mr Joshua Nkomo. Negotiations have been proceeding for more than a year now, and Cabinet ministers have promised that unity, as well as sanctions, will have been achieved by the end of the year.

Zapu sources confirmed that Mr Mugabe and Mr Nkomo held another round of talks on Monday, but no details were available.

Commerce alarmed at curbs reality

From Our Correspondent, Harare

The self-imposed deadline for the southern African frontline states to set up their first trade barriers against South Africa expires tonight.

Of the six frontline countries, Botswana, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe are Commonwealth countries, who have to decide whether to follow the recommendations of the body's mini-summit in August for a package of trade and economic sanctions against South Africa.

Business communities in the region have progressively become more alarmed as the realization of the implications of the planned restrictions has grown.

Of the four Commonwealth countries, Botswana has already given strong indications that, as a matter of survival, it will not follow suit.

Looming larger behind the frontline sanctions is the question of what South Africa can, and will, do to retaliate. Observers expect anything from deliberate and frustrating delays by the South Africans moving goods north to a complete border closure.

The level of economic dependence of the frontline states on South Africa varies. It is virtually non-existent in the cases of Tanzania and the former Portuguese colony of Angola.

In others, it is all but total. Botswana relies on South Africa for 90 per cent of its transport needs, all of its oil, 150,000 tonnes of food a year and 40 per cent of its electricity. Nearly 20 per cent of its labour force works in South African mines.

Zambia is deeply dependent on South Africa for investment, trade and transport, with 67 per cent of imports and 33 per cent of exports going through South Africa.

Zimbabwe uses South African ports and railways for an estimated 93 per cent of its external trade and with about 20 per cent of its trade going across the Limpopo River has its biggest trading partner in South Africa.

Zimbabwe's rich and intensive mining sector, its highly successful farmers and its widely diversified manufacturing sector make it by far the big brother of the frontline region.

It stands to lose perhaps more than any of the other nations in the region with implementation of the min-summit recommendations.

The bans on new investment, imports of agricultural produce, termination of taxation agreements, government contracts with majority-owned South African companies and bank loans are not expected to create serious repurcussions.

But the other six measures are a different matter.

The ban on air links will stop the 38 weekly flights between Zimbabwe and South African airports and cost an estimated loss of 110,000 passengers annually, which amounts to 80 per cent of its regional traffic.

The termination of government assistance to investment is predicted to cost exporters to South Africa a tax-free export incentive of some £4 million.

The ban on the promotion of tourism to South Africa is unquantifiable, but the fact that 40 per cent of Zimbabwe's foreign tourists are South Africans is regarded in large part as due to the vigorous advertising campaigns in South Africa.

The cessation of coal, iron and steel imports is expected to hit hard, with supplies from alternative sources regarded as well-nigh impossible. According to the latest avaliable figures, Zimbabwe in 1984 imported £12 million worth of coke and steel products from South Africa.

The withdrawal of consular facilities in South Africa will result in major inconvenience for thousands of Zimbabweans living and working there.

The ban on all government procurement in South Africa is expected to strike at the national railways of Zimbabwe, which depend considerably on South Africa for servicing their locomotives.

The vulnerability of the oil pipeline linking the Mozambican port of Beira with Zimbabwe was exposed recently with the report that problems there resulted in an order of 34,000 tonnes of petrol, gas and diesel from South Africa.

Counting the cost of child murders

From Michael Binyon
Washington

A record number of 41 children were shot dead and 317 were wounded this year in Detroit. America's "murder capital" is trying to grapple with an "epidemic" of killing which is claiming more and more children as its victims.

Police statistics show that with a murder rate double that of New York, Detroit suffered a sharp rise in child killings in the last year, when 29 people under 16 were killed and 237 wounded by gunfire. The figures for 1984 were 16 dead and 192 wounded.

The rate far surpasses any other US city. Houston is nearest with 26 children killed this year, including six child abuse cases, followed by Chicago with 15. Three-quarters of Detroit victims were boys.

But what worries the authorities particularly is the racial imbalance in the shootings: in Detroit, where blacks comprise between 65 and 70 per cent of the population, all but one of the 41 victims were black.

The random nature of the killings has horrified the city. According to the *Detroit Free Press*, which is leading a campaign against child shootings, 33 of the youngsters were shot directly and a further eight were caught in crossfire or were suicides.

Of the 33, six were shot by people playing with guns, five in suspected drug houses, five by bullets intended for others, four in grudge or revenge fights, two girls were killed by boyfriends, two killed in robbery attempts and two at parties.

Murder is already the most likely cause of death of American blacks aged between 18 and 24. Two graphic cases this year illustrate how increasingly innocent children, either outstanding pupils or those who have otherwise kept out of trouble, are being killed.

Melody Rucker, aged 16, was killed on August 16 by teenage gunmen spraying a crowd with guns at a back-to-school party in someone's home. Hit by 100 shotgun pellets, she died two hours later. She had been among the top in her class and was considered a "role model" pupil.

Two 17-year-olds were convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to life imprisonment. A third boy was convicted of second-degree murder.

Jeffrey Hinton, aged 11, was walking home with a friend on September 30 when he was confronted by two youths who told him to "check in" (hand over) his $20 purple shirt. As he raised his arms, he was shot in the abdomen, and died in hospital two hours later.

Police estimate that there are about 1,500,000 guns in Detroit for a population of 1,250,000 people. The city council has just passed a law which will come into effect next month imposing mandatory prison sentences of between 30 and 90 days for anyone found carrying unlicensed firearms.

Many law-abiding people who have been buying guns to protect themselves against the ever-rising homicide rate say they will be defenceless if the law is enforced.

Strike unchecked by pay concession

From Diana Geddes
Paris

The French rail strike continued unabated yesterday despite the Government's agreement to suspend the new merit-based salary scales, and the opening of negotiations on working conditions between the unions, management and Government representatives.

As on the previous day, only 30 to 40 per cent of normal train services were operating. The Paris suburbs were particularly badly hit, with only one in eight trains running on some lines.

Paris commuters suffered further inconvenience from a strike by public transport workers in the capital. However, the disruption was not as bad as feared.

The management claimed that 87 per cent of Métro trains and 72 per cent of buses were running normally yesterday.

Three-thousand special coaches and several extra internal air flights have been laid on throughout the country. But not even the extra coaches have been able to cope with all the increased passenger traffic over the busy holiday period.

Meanwhile, road haulage companies are attempting to carry the bulk of the mail and perishable goods normally transported by rail.

A three-week-old strike by merchant seamen is aggravating the already badly disrupted transport system. Twelve of the country's 16 commercial ports are affected.

The Communist-led CGT union, which is a particularly active participant in all the current strikes, has now called for a strike next Monday by all its members working in the government arsenals in protest against a merit-based salary scale and an alleged "process of privatization."

Worries over the sudden upsurge of industrial unrest in France after a long period of remarkable calm on the trade union front has caused the franc to fall to its lowest level against the deutschmark since its devaluation last March, and produced a sharp drop yesterday on the Bourse, the Paris stock exchange.

About 5,000 railway workers demonstrated in the streets of the capital yesterday as the conciliation negotiations got underway.

Leading the march, M Henri Krasucki, the general-secretary of the CGT, said that the Government would not be able to get out of the present dispute by engaging in simple "pirouettes."

All the unions involved have dismissed as inadequate the Government's offer to suspend the new, merit-based salary scales while awaiting the recommendations of an independent arbitrator.

They are demanding the total withdrawal of the contested scales which, they maintain, will lead to promotion through favouritism.

● MADRID: A pay strike by ground crews of the Spanish domestic airline, Aviaco, led to the cancellation of 67 of the airline's 97 scheduled flights yesterday, and forced 5,000 travellers to change their plans (Harry Debelius writes).

This first phase of the strike was to last 24 hours. Another 24-hour stoppage is planned for next Monday.



Stopped in their tracks: passengers on the express from Paris to Basle had to leave the train in the snow 10 miles from Belfort station, after striking railway workers blocked the line.

Tokyo puts off decision on defence

From David Watts
Tokyo

After the historic decision by Japan to breach its customary ceiling on defence spending, the country's National Defence Council was yesterday unable to agree on a new spending guideline. A decision has now been postponed until late January, before the Diet reconvenes.

The council was seeking consensus on the wording of a new guideline, but failed to reach agreement after the opposition denounced the decision to breach the limit – 1 per cent of GNP.

Miss Takako Doi, leader of the main opposition Japan Socialist Party, said it was not only a violation of the Government's self-imposed limit "but also an act of outrage that deviates from the spirit of the peace constitution".

Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Prime Minister, said: "The question of whether to abide by the 1 per cent of GNP ceiling or to attain the defence outline has been a major question that we have been facing and we gave priority to the task of attaining our defence goals. I don't see any grounds for charges that we are headed towards militarism."

The new defence budget, which the Government says is essential if Japan is to achieve its planned defence build-up plan, puts Tokyo comfortably in the top half of the world's biggest defence spenders.

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Order to release 'jazzmen'

Vienna (Reuter) – A Prague court yesterday ordered the release of two members of the Czechoslovak Jazz Section and told the prosecutor to review charges against group members, their lawyer said.

But the prosecutor appealed against the court's decision to release Vlastimil Drda and Cestmir Hunat, and they will remain in detention until a higher court hears the appeal, their lawyer, Mr Josef Prusa, said by telephone from Prague.

Seven members of the Jazz Section leadership were detained last September and charged with illegal commercial activities and issuing publications for profit since 1985, a crime under Czechoslovak law.

The Jazz Section, which has a membership of 7,000, has acted as an unofficial forum for those opposed to state-dictated cultural policies.

Mr Prusa said the court ordered the release of Mr Drda and Mr Hunat at a closed hearing to review the indictment against the group, a move which usually means the presiding judge considers there is lack of evidence or there are legal flaws in the indictment.

At the weekend, the court ordered the release of two more of the detainees, Milos Drda and Josef Skalnik.

The fate of the other three members of the group who are also still in police custody – Karel Srp, Vladimir Kouril and Tomas Krivanek – was not immediately known.

Director ready to return to Moscow

By Mary Dejevsky

The Soviet theatre director, Yuri Lyubimov, who has lived in the West since being stripped of his Soviet citizenship three years ago, is prepared to return to his homeland. This was disclosed last week after it was learned that he had been approached about returning to his old job as director of the *avant-garde* Taganka theatre in Moscow.

Interviewed by Yuri Goligorsky of the BBC Russian Service, Lyubimov said from Washington that contractual obligations would keep him in the West for the next few months, but thereafter he would be prepared to return and take up where he left off.

In between rehearsals for his production of *Crime and Punishment* in Washington, Lyubimov said he attached no conditions to his return, although he hoped his production of his controversial play about the late Soviet ballad singer, Vladimir Vysotsky, would be finally staged for the 50th anniversary of the singer's birth on January 25.

It was this play, banned only after its final dress rehearsal, that brought Lyubimov into direct conflict with the Soviet authorities and precipitated his exile. Once in the West, he gave an outspoken interview to *The Times*, which is believed to have angered Moscow to the point where it deprived him of his citizenship.

Lyubimov noted that Mr Pyotr Demichev, the former Minister of Culture, and Mr Mikhail Zimyanin, the Central Committee Secretary whom he described as his personal enemy, were still active in the Soviet leadership. But he said enormous changes were in train in Soviet life and he trusted Mr Gorbachov to ensure his safety.



Lyubimov: still hoping to stage controversial play

Mr Goligorsky also spoke by telephone to an actress at the Taganka theatre, who spoke excitedly of the prospect of Lyubimov's return. She said 99 per cent of the actors at the theatre petitioned Mr Gorbachov to restore Lyubimov's citizenship and allow him to return to his old job.

On December 22 Lyubimov was telephoned in Washington by a leading actress at the Taganka who asked him directly about the possibility of his return. He was advised to contact the Soviet embassy in Washington with a view to reapplying for his citizenship. This he has now done.

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Damascus summit

Gemayel and Assad seek a new political solution

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

After a year of strained and sometimes non-existent relations, President Gemayel of Lebanon and President Assad of Syria are expected to meet in the new year for a summit conference in Damascus in an attempt to produce yet another political formula to unite Lebanon and prevent the country's further economic collapse.

With the Lebanese pound yesterday standing at 84 to the US dollar – against a figure of only four just five years ago – the Syrians believe, with reason, that both Muslim and Christian forces are in a mood for compromise.

In west Beirut yesterday, however, there was little sign of this. Mr Nabih Berri's instructions to his Shia Muslim Amal movement to lift its siege of the Palestinian camps in Beirut and southern Lebanon lessened rather than stopped the fighting between the PLO guerrillas of Mr Yassir Arafat and the thousands of Amal militiamen who have been surrounding them for more than a month.

Amal's artillery, some of it dug in near the runway of Beirut airport, remained in position and the airport road, which runs past the Bourj al-Barajneh camp, was still closed yesterday because of sniping. Since Mr Berri's call for a truce, four people are reported to have been killed and a further 24 wounded.

Mr Berri's men, of course, are fighting Syria's war in west Beirut, where the "security plan" introduced in July – and brought to life by the arrival of at least 500 highly disciplined Syrian regular troops – is now all but a memory.

The growing factionalism and uncertainty in the Muslim sector of the city, and the increasing evidence of Christian support for the Palestinian guerrillas in their battles against the Shia militia, make a new political initiative by the Syrians imperative.

President Assad's plans for a summit have been carefully prepared. Three days ago, Dr Mustafa al-Haj Ali, director of the office of the Syrian Vice-President, Mr Abdul Halim Khaddam, was sent to Lebanon to hand personal messages from the President to Mr Rashid Karami, the Lebanese Prime Minister; to the Speaker of the Lebanese Parliament; and to Dr Selim al-Hoss, the Education Minister. All three letters contained Syria's reply to President Gemayel's proposals for political reforms.

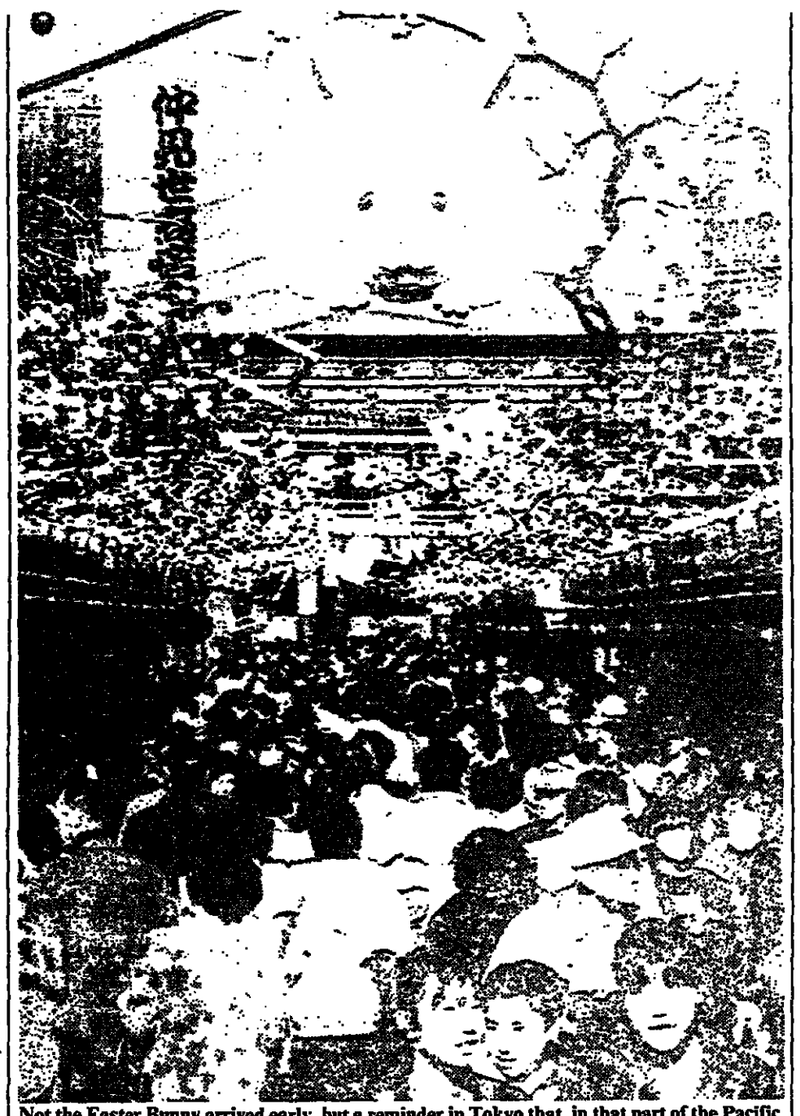
The Syrian and Lebanese leaders may meet next week, since Damascus wants to see a new political initiative under way in Lebanon before the Islamic summit meeting begins in Kuwait on January 26.

What is not clear, however, is what Syria intends to do about the new power of Mr Arafat's PLO men who have effectively defeated all Amal's attempts to crush them since late November.

None of this has blunted the sense of radicalism that has gripped west Beirut this Christmas, when few shops have displayed decorations, and where only the secular Syrian Social Nationalist Party ostentatiously erected a Christmas tree above a local petrol station and held a party for children in the Makhoul district on Christmas Eve.

In Sidon yesterday, a group calling itself the Shebeb Islami (Muslim Youths) was reported to have called for a ban on New Year celebrations on the grounds that these are held according to the Christian calendar.

Neither the identity nor the strength of this organization has been determined, but its statement has served only to reinforce Christian fears that extreme Muslims want to "Islamicize" southern Lebanon.



Not the Easter Bunny arrived early, but a reminder in Tokyo that, in that part of the Pacific region, 1987 is the Year of the Rabbit. The wooden decoration has been erected near the Sensoji Temple where worshippers will pray for good fortune at midnight tonight.

Vietnam accused of Laos killings

Bangkok – Vietnamese troops in Laos killed 43 hill-tribe people trying to flee across the Mekong River into Thailand last Friday and Saturday, according to Thai officials in Nongkhai Province, who said survivors told them that women and children were among the dead (Neil Kelly writes).

About 19 of the Meo hill-tribe people managed to reach safety using life-jackets given to them earlier by Lao soldiers. Fourteen others were captured by the Vietnamese who, Thai officials said, had kept up a barrage of gunfire against the escaping people for several hours.

287 Poles jump ship

Lübeck (Reuter) – Border police and officials in this West German city said 287 Polish tourists stayed behind when three Polish liners left the Baltic port of Lübeck-Travemünde after a Christmas visit.

Federal border police said the vessels, Lancut, Pomeranja and Wilanow, carrying a total of 622 passengers had arrived in the port between December 23 and December 26.

Train crash

Warsaw (Reuter) – Four people were killed and 16 were injured when a train collided with a bus at a level-crossing in Suwalki during a snowstorm in north-east Poland, the PAP news agency said.

Afghan toll

Islamabad (AP) – The death toll in an aerial bombing of civilians in the south-eastern Afghanistan city of Kandahar on December 8 has risen to 450, Western diplomats said.

Cut off

Nouméa (Reuter) – The French Pacific island of Futuna, battered by Cyclone Raja last week, was still cut off from the outside world yesterday after attempts to fly in food and medical supplies failed.

Ecevit boost

Ankara (Reuter) – Nineteen defectors from Turkey's opposition Social Democrats have joined the Democratic Left Party of the former Prime Minister, Mr Bulent Ecevit, after dissolving their own four-day old party, the Anatolian Agency said.

Smugglers fire

Zamboanga City (AP) – A woman was killed and seven other civilians were wounded as Philippine Navy patrol boats exchanged fire with suspected smugglers.

Fatal skid

Athens (Reuter) – Two Greek airmen were killed and 10 others seriously injured when an Air Force bus skidded off an icy road into a ravine, police said.

Reporters out

Paris (AFP) – Four journalists, working for *Reuter, Agence France-Presse, Le Monde* and *Le Figaro*, who had recently arrived in Chad to cover the fighting between Libyan and Chadian forces in the far north of the country, were expelled on Tuesday.

Tamils killed

Colombo (Reuter) – Five Tamil separatist guerrillas and a soldier were killed in a gun battle in northern Sri Lanka, the Government said.

Pretoria arrests township reporter

From George Brock
Johannesburg

The South African authorities intensified their attack on journalists this week by detaining a journalist working for a respected financial newspaper.

Mr Sipho Ngcobo, aged 32, was arrested at his desk in the newsroom of *Business Day*, a relatively restrained daily paper serving the business community.

By way of reply the newspaper laid aside its sober style in a bitter front-page leading article which described Section 29 of the Internal Security Act (under which Mr Ngcobo is held) as "fascist".

It went on to say that Mr Ngcobo's reporting on life in the black townships "done sometimes at the risk of his very life, has given *Business Day* readers a unique and illuminating view of township affairs. His detention puts out their eyes and increases their uncertainty."

The editorial ended with a passionate call for all democratic South Africans to unite to "end the long dark night of Nationalist (Party) misrule."

Mr Ngcobo had worked for the now-defunct *Rand Daily Mail* before joining *Business Day* last year. He had specialized in the reporting of life and politics in the black townships, producing excellent articles recently on the "street committees" and "people's courts" which have been springing up in black areas.

It is his reporting of these sensitive and difficult subjects which is most worrying his colleagues. "We are worried about his safety when he is released," Mr Michael Acott, *Business Day's* acting editor, said "because his township sources are likely to assume that any assurances of confidentiality they may have been given will be compromised."

Mr Ngcobo had previously been detained in 1982 and went on trial the following year, charged with "furthering the aims of a banned organization." by possessing Pan Africanist Congress documents.

Along with three other defendants, he served part of a jail sentence before the sentences were quashed on appeal. He was released in January, 1984.

At the turn of the year, the current state of emergency will be 200 days old. The South African Government has never released comprehensive numbers or details of those it either holds or has released. The Detainees' Parents Support Committee estimates that more than 25,000 people have been detained in the course of the year, almost all of them under emergency regulations.

In a magazine interview conducted before the latest wave of restrictions and arrests earlier this month, the Justice Minister, Mr Kobie Coetsee, said that at any one moment there were "6,000 to 7,000-plus" people in detention under the regulations.

'Reform enthusiasm' in Peking

Inquiry chief treads softly as student protests continue

Peking (Reuter) – The head of a task force inquiring into China's wave of student protests said yesterday that most demonstrators were patriotically showing their enthusiasm for reform and none had broken the law.

Mr He Donchang, Vice-Minister of the State Education Commission and leader of the task force, was speaking at a news conference after about 400 students from Peking Teachers' University staged an early morning protest for democracy.

It was Peking's second consecutive night of protest in defiance of a ban on unapproved demonstrations in parts of the capital.

Wall posters, outlawed since 1980, appeared on the campus, calling for an end to one-party Communist rule and the launch of a multi-party system – illegal demands, and some of the boldest made in nearly a month of nationwide college unrest.

Mr He told reporters: "God allows young people to commit mistakes. When we were young, we did more or less similar things at times. This is our basic approach."

At least seven people, none of them students, are reported to have been held during the protests.

His soft tone contrasted with the harsher line taken in the official press, which kept up warnings yesterday to students to stay off the streets and not put up wall posters.

The *Peking Daily* said that citizens of the capital would not allow people to destroy their unity and stability – a key slogan used by the official media in attacks on the protests.

The vice-minister said it was too soon to say how the authorities would handle a rally rumoured for New Year's Day in a central Peking square where gatherings were banned under rules introduced a few days ago.

A stream of top Communist Party leaders, ministers, professors and workers have appeared on State television, repeating the theme that instability would threaten the unprecedented prosperity of the past seven years won after years of hardship and struggle.

It is illegal in China to challenge the leadership of the Communist Party and the supremacy of socialism.

The *People's Daily* carried a long article yesterday saying that democracy in China was superior to that in the United States, which it called a violent, unequal society run by a tiny minority of people backed by big business.

Some students have called for the introduction of aspects of US democracy and thousands want to study in America. Students on at least 10 campuses across China have taken part in the demonstrations.

The main evening news on state television showed, for the first time, footage of a vast demonstration held in Shanghai 10 days ago, when tens of thousands of people marched into the city centre, led by students.

West German election winner will be urged to allow women to join up

From John England
Bonn

Whichever government is in power in West Germany after the federal election next month, it will have to deal with a relatively new but rapidly growing demand from women for the right to wear military uniforms.

There has been no women's unit in the West German *Bundeswehr* (armed forces) since it was formed in 1955. Indeed, the West German Basic Law of 1949 rules that women "may on no account render service involving the use (of) arms".

The only West German women in uniform are 140 medical service officers, who were allowed into the armed forces only 10 years ago.

Frau Regina Senft, the leader of the Women To The Forces group, has warned the Government that if it does not immediately clear the way for women to join the colours, her group will take it to the Constitutional Court.

"It's a basic question of equal rights for women, which is also guaranteed by the constitution," she said.

Legal experts believe that if the women go to court they will win. Government circles say that Chancellor Kohl, who is expected to be returned to power next month, therefore will not oppose the Defence Ministry considering women for training, supply, telecommunications, maintenance or air-traffic control posts.



Chancellor Kohl: Unlikely to oppose women in uniform

The idea of women in uniform has been circulating around the Defence Ministry for several years in the face of a threatened shortage of servicemen in the 1990s because of the country's low birth rate. Bonn's defence commitment to Nato requires an armed force of 495,000 men, but conscripts account for 51 per cent of its strength.

National Service is to be extended from 15 months to 18 months from June 1, 1989. Some experts, however, say this will not compensate for the future manpower gap.

For many years after the Second World War, Bonn was against women joining the services because it recalled the fate of many of Hitler's 470,500 women auxiliaries who fell into Soviet hands in 1945. They were thrown into prisoner-of-war camps and deported to the East as slave workers, suffering treatment hardly less harsh than that meted out to male captives.

The women's rights groups now demanding uniforms, however, are of a new generation.

Exxon Corporation, the world's largest oil company, announced yesterday that it had sold the shares of its former South African affiliate to a trust established to continue the operations (Mohsin Ali writes from Washington).

It said in a statement that with the sale it relinquished all ownership and management control of its former South African activities. A growing number of multinational corporations have recently announced that they are pulling out of South Africa because of dissatisfaction with the pace of change in the apartheid system.

Fish puts Iceland at the top

By Tony Samstag
Nordic Correspondent

Iceland is expected to show the highest growth rate in the Western world for the past year as a result of record fish catches and high prices reflecting the new world-wide concern with a healthier diet.

According to its National Economic Institute, Iceland's gross domestic product (GDP) for 1986 will show an increase of 6 per cent and growth in national income will be 8 per cent, bringing the country's balance of payments out of the red for the first time since 1978. The economy as a whole is about 70 per cent dependent on fish.

Only three years ago this large but under-populated island – with a quarter of a million people the most sparsely inhabited country in Europe – was reeling under an annual inflation rate of 130 per cent.

In 1985, the inflation rate was still an alarming 34 per cent. It is now a manageable 11 to 12 per cent, and a total catch of well over a million tons – a second record year in succession – which has also served to fuel the great british fish boom on humbersidehas steered the nation country conclusively towards what one analyst described recently as "the exit from its long tunnel of economic zaniness."

More than 60 per cent of fresh fish auctioned at Grimsby, and more than 70 per cent at Hull, is supplied by Iceland. Without the Icelandic catches it is almost certain that both Humberside ports would have collapsed long ago.

Renewed international demand for fish has coincided with advances in refrigeration and transport technology enabling Icelandic entrepreneurs to carry their catches for long distances.

Kenya's new confidence

Dissent no brake on boom times

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

A 12-month economic boom, brought about by low world oil prices, high coffee prices and a record number of tourists, has given Kenya new confidence despite rumours of political dissent. Some 50 Kenyans have been jailed or detained in recent months for supporting a clandestine anti-government organization.

For months now, newspapers have been recording the sentences of numerous young intellectuals who have, in every case, pleaded guilty either to supporting the shadowy "Mwakenya" organization or failing to inform the authorities of its existence. Mwakenya, the courts are told, wants to overthrow President Daniel arap Moi and his Kanu Party Government.

Despite the incarcerations, Mwakenya appears to be a small organization with no substantial public support.

Mr Robert Ouko, the country's Planning Minister, has told Kenyans that their economy is the soundest it has been for many years, thanks to stable political leadership, a favourable economic climate and the energy and dedication of ordinary Kenyans.

There was a double windfall from lower oil prices – Kenya has no oil resources, but exports refined products from the Mombasa oil refinery to several neighbouring countries – and high world coffee prices caused by shortages after frosts in Brazil.

By international agreement, export quotas for coffee were suspended throughout 1986, enabling Kenya to sell – at high prices – coffee which had been held in store due to quota restrictions.

Coffee prices fell during 1986 from roughly £4 to £2 a kilogram, but the total return from Kenyan coffee exports nearly doubled during 1985 to nearly £400 million.

Tea export prices are running above last year's levels, compensating for the expected fall from last year's record 147,000-ton production, and are believed to have brought in £175 million.

The number of tourists visiting the country rose from about 450,000 in 1985 to some 600,000 in 1986, and Kenya is well on the way to its target of a million tourists a year in the 1990s. A fall in the value of the Kenyan shilling has held hotel prices down, and tourism probably brought in £200 million during the year.

Oil products, the biggest single Kenyan import item, are well down from last year's £280 million, and the net result is a return to a favourable balance of payments and a rise in national productivity of more than 5 per cent.

Good rains throughout 1986 produced bumper food crops, enabling Kenya to export surplus food. Only two years earlier severe drought made it necessary for Kenya to import food.

There has also been a welcome revival of the country's herds of livestock, which were greatly depleted in 1984 and 1985. The traumas of the drought years are still sufficiently fresh to make Kenyans look anxiously to the skies when the rains are due. The hope now is that the long rains due next April and May will again be plentiful.

A big problem remains the embarrassingly high birth rate – more than 4 per cent a year – which Government efforts to promote family planning have so far hardly dented.

Where neighbourliness is a diplomatic convenience

Britain and Guatemala this week announced the restoration of full diplomatic links after a break of 23 years, but agreed to differ over Belize. In the first of two articles, Rodney Tyler reports on the delicate relationship between the former British colony and its Latin American neighbour.

The opening of "Crosby's Convenience" four weeks ago by Mr David Joy, head of the Foreign Office's Mexico and Central America Department, was by all accounts an occasion which owed more to Carlton-Browne than it did to Carlton House.

Mr Joy, accompanied by Her Britannic Majesty's High Commissioner, after whom the two-seater wooden structure perched on the end of a short wooden pier out over the Caribbean was named, broke a bottle on the first of the two doors, then, appropriately, snipped a ribbon of toilet paper to declare the twin cubicles officially in use.

Thus were Belize and Guatemala brought a significant step closer to settling their differences.

Improbable as it may sound, the short ceremony – witnessed only by a handful of British soldiers, one Belize policeman and a bunch of totally bewildered Guatemalan holidaymakers in their swimwear – was all of these things and more.

It encapsulated perfectly the shy diplomatic minuet being danced by the two Central American nations emerging into democratic adulthood, one from behind the skirts of dictatorship, the other from behind the skirts of colonialism.

It demonstrated equally well the importance of the role being played by the British – particularly by the British armed forces – and the threat to the region's stability that the withdrawal of those forces would inevitably create.

Equally improbable, yet equally important, was the siting of Mr John Crosby's somewhat basic diplomatic initiative: the tiny, but beautiful Hunting Cay (pronounced "key") – a 250-yard triangle of coconut palms and brilliant white sand.

The Cay, part of the Sapodilla group, lies at the southern end of the Belizean barrier reef, 36 miles out to sea from the nearest Belize port, Punta Gorda, yet only 22 miles from the nearest point of Guatemalan coast, the Punta



Manabique. And therein lies its significance.

For Belize, the size of Wales, but with the population only of Swansea, is Britain's other Falklands. Guatemala has, since the 1930s, claimed the country – formerly British Honduras – as its own.

Once, under a Labour Government, and once more in that crucial year of 1982, the Foreign Office has been caught in the act of giving all the signals which traditionally precede an attempt to off-load an embarrassing problem. As with the Falklands, Belizeans felt they were being prepared to be sold down the river.

The second occasion came shortly after the country had gained independence. Not very helpfully, Britain made clear to this tiny new nation that it could not go on relying on the presence of some 2,000 British troops to keep out the Guatemalans, and that a deal had to be done.

Fortunately, the military dictatorship in Guatemala did not grasp the significance of the move – as did the Argentinians further south – as a coded message and pour its vast and well-trained army across the disputed border.

In the past two years, however, relations between Belize and Guatemala have significantly improved, to the extent that the border dispute is now within sight of settlement.

After years of dictatorship, Guatemala has begun to emerge as a fledgling democracy under the cautious guidance of President Cerezo, who came to office pledged to find a solution to the problem.

It is now up to the Guatemalans to suggest a new set of proposals for fresh talks in the new year. This time there is real hope. The Belizean Prime Minister, Mr Manuel Esquivel, told me: "I very much hope we can settle the matter in the next year. We recognize that President Cerezo has to be able to go back to his people and point to some benefit they will get from dropping their claim."

Exactly what the nature of that benefit is likely to be is not yet clear. But it seems certain that Hunting Cay will come into it.

Belize can offer the Guatemalans economic and social co-operation. It can help it to pipeline and port facilities on the Caribbean. It has easier access to the remote Peten region – down which most of its straight border runs – than does Guatemala City, and can thus ease the oil exploration planned for the region.

These and many other genuine benefits can and will be shown. But they are the icing. The cake is territory: and that Belize cannot give – at least not on the face of it.

It is out of the question for Belize to give away mainland territory. But territorial waters and the Sapodilla Cays are a different matter, and that is where the crux of the solution is likely to lie.

Belize has never imposed the common 12-mile limit, because to do so would virtually cut Guatemala off from the Caribbean.

The future of Belize
Part 1

The question now being asked is: What if Guatemala's rights and privileges were extended in this area? What if some form of joint usage, just short of a total transfer of sovereignty, could be found for the Sapodillas? More by luck than judgement, the Foreign Office may thus find itself sitting in on a settlement of a dispute being worked out to the satisfaction of both principal parties.

Perhaps also more by luck than judgement, the Foreign Office finds itself with Mr Crosby in Belize. This genial roly-poly figure is as vitally pro-Belize as Sir Rex Hunt was pro-Falklands.

He begs you to talk about the good things that are happening in the country – the growth of its banana industry; the stability of its sugar crop; the arrival of the Coca-Cola Corporation and the totally democratic change of government at the last election. Every one of them is a beacon of light in the political, social and economic chaos of the region.

But it is his convenience for which he will be best remembered. For its building may well turn out to have played a central part in the settlement with Guatemala.

Because of its proximity to Guatemala, citizens of country have been for years in the habit of co Hunting Cay for holid weekends.

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Tomorrow: Britain's presence

The Times review of 1986 . . .

Crowds under clouds

If you have been troubled since July 7 (a Monday, of course) with a faint sense of diminished elbow-room, of finding the world too much with you, it has not been just a freak of the imagination. That was the day on which the computers calculated that the population of this planet would rise above five billion for the first time.

It would be heretical to quibble over the Oracle's computation. It went on to predict that the population would double in the lifetime of that day's crop of babies, and would then perhaps stabilize. Elbows will be worn close to the body for the foreseeable future, it seems.

In this increasingly cramped tenement, the capacity of the tenants to commit public nuisances against their neighbours has never been greater. The inescapable master-image of 1986 was the unseen cloud which ambled across Europe from the embers of Chernobyl, demonstrating that no part of the continent was exempt from the risks of *technological miscalculation.*

The reindeer of Lapland gnawed up contamination from the arctic moss, lambs in Snowdonia were reprieved from slaughter until their geiger-count fell (it is an ill wind that blows no lamb any good), and we celebrated May Bank Holiday, with the usual muggings and Morris dancing, under a thin radioactive drizzle. Later, as if to reassert the efficacy of conventional toxins, the river Rhine ran poisoned from Switzerland to the sea.

It is too pat to suppose that Chernobyl shocked the world's leaders into a keener appreciation of the need to control the arms race. But something did seem to have changed when Mr Reagan and Mr Gorbachev met at Reykjavik, in the most enigmatic of summit meetings. The agreement which they almost reached startled the leaders of Europe into wondering whether they wanted a disarmament after which war in Europe could be possible without precipitating Armageddon.

President Reagan found himself dragged into the heat of the kitchen after his attempts to combat world terrorism by a strategy of bombing its promoters and also selling them arms. The bombs exploding in Libya caused shiverings in London. The number of American summer visitors to Britain dropped by one-third, though Prince Andrew's marriage did much to repair the damage.

British politics was in general going through a period of more colour than substance, with MPs perpetually in a state of pre-election jitters, and frightfully excited over minor helicopter companies, long-dead spies and other topics of deep unconcern to the public. Mr Michael Heseltine pranced out of the Cabinet room and departed into oblivion, leaving the Cabinet to send a messenger to ask if he had made it any clearer to the photographers outside 10 Downing Street than to them whether he had actually resigned.

Mr Leon Brittan behaved like a gentleman and made the supreme sacrifice to protect the honour of a lady — or at least that of Mr Bernard Ingham, a figure less dispensible to Downing Street than any number of Cabinet Ministers. The Head of the Home Civil Service was engaged in a fracas with a photographer at Heathrow — an unthinkable event — on his way to endure unthinkable humiliations in Australia.

In successive masterpieces of paradox, Labour assailed the Tories for skimping on defence spending and failing to control the crime wave. The Tories at last grew tired of being blamed for cutting public spending when it had in fact risen 16 per cent in real *terms since they came to* power, despite all their efforts.

They began instead to claim credit for their failure, leaving the voters perplexed as to whether they should vote Tory in hopes of further inadvertent social services spending, or Labour in hopes of fiscal rigour enforced by a run on the pound. Neil Kinnock laboured valiantly to purge his party of Militants and multilateralism, with only partial success.

Meanwhile the unemployment rate, paused at its peak and seemed with majestic gradualness to be about to creep down. The Tories claimed it was on the way down already, but since the fall on paper was almost exactly the same size as the number of more or less artificial jobs created by the efforts of the state, the situation remained tantalisingly unclear.

In the arts, the golden age of British musicals continued, while the long Hall-Nunn hegemony in the subsidised theatre drew acrimoniously towards its end. Amis Senior won the Booker. Goldcrest fluttered to earth. Richard Rogers erected a contrivance of drainpipes and frosted glass in the City, to clothe Lloyd's with all the glamour of an oil refinery.

England rather surprised themselves by reaching the last eight of the World Cup before being eliminated by a sublime piece of deceit from Maradona. In cricket, the most stimulating contests were off the field, between the Pavilion and the Players, with Boycott, Botham, Richards and Garner losing their wickets. Dancing Brave romped home in the Arc, and Britain's athletes returned from the European championships loaded with medals.

Matters went downhill in South Africa with alarming speed: Eminent Persons came and went, and Big Business washed its hands, leaving the country prey to the censors, flaming "necklaces" and the police.

In an emblematic act of betrayal worthy of Dante, Nizar Hindawi at Heathrow entrusted a parcel to the fiancée who was carrying his child. The last shreds of civility in European politics seemed to be extinguished when Olof Palme was shot down in the street.

But the year also saw the *Duvaliers hustled out of Haiti,* a government worthy of respect restored in Uganda after many years, and President Marcos fleeing from the Philippines with his First Lady. The couple took £1 million in unused notes, but left behind 1,000 pairs of shoes, 30 wigs and 50 bottles of anti-wrinkle cream. And, appropriately, the year of five billion saw what may have been the most extensive display of human unanimity in history, when a horde of 20 million ran, jogged, walked and tottered in the Race Against Time, to raise funds to combat famine in Africa.

The Space Shuttle fell out of the sky, two Soviet liners went to the bottom, the price of oil plummeted, and the Stock Exchange moved upstairs. Sid became a Capitalist, the Queen Mother became a member of the Transport and General Workers' Union, and Britannia steamed on an errand of mercy through a Levantine war zone, with her band on deck playing medleys from Gilbert and Sullivan. Mr Jeffrey Archer laid on a scene from one of his own novels at Victoria Station. A Dutch nurseryman hit on the Philosopher's Stone of horticulture by perfecting a black tulip and Halley's Comet proved to be black, too.

Mr Shigechiyo Izumi died aged 120, the oldest person reliably attested to have reached that age. He had given up smoking on medical advice at the age of 116, but in vain. Deprived of his familiar presence, the planet continued impassively to spin on through space with its freight of five billion souls, a soaring population of computers, and one black tulip.

George Hill

Jeffrey Archer laid on a scene from one of his own novels at Victoria station

JANUARY

Business 1: US businessmen arrive in Britain to campaign for their Westland helicopter rescue package. **7:** Anglo-European consortium's new £75 million offer is followed by resignation of Michael Heseltine as Defence Secretary. **13:** Home Secretary Leon Brittan apologizes — and days later resigns — over his earlier denials of receiving a British Aerospace letter. **20:** Go-ahead for a 1993 Channel tunnel rail link.

People 1: Entertainer and famine relief organizer Bob Geldof omitted from New Year's honours list; President Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachov swop TV pledges of peace.

Weather 1: Britain slips and slithers in 1986 with black ice, snow drifts and floods. **31:** Blizzards hit Europe and state of emergency declared in Turin where worst weather since 1956 rages.

Crime 1: Provisional IRA makes first attack of new year in Northern Ireland, killing two policemen. **7:** Marquis of Blandford, heir to £50 million fortune, branded "a common criminal" and jailed for three months on drugs offence. **9:** Uniformed police appear at Heathrow, carrying firearms for the first time in public.

Abroad 3: US task force sails from Naples towards Libya as President Reagan accuses it of being behind December terrorist attacks at Rome and Vienna airports. **17:** Royal Yacht Britannia spearheads beach evacuation of foreigners from Marxist-captured Aden. **21:** Car bomb explodes in busy Christian sector of Beirut killing 27. **25:** Sikh militants smash Golden Temple shrine, Amritsar.

At home 2: Ministry of Defence to place £1,000 million order for torpedoes and submarines

Leaving: Michael Heseltine



for Navy and Air Force. **9:** SDP-Liberal Alliance victory in a Liverpool by-election hailed as a rejection of city's Militant dominated Labour council. **30:** Jobless total surges to record 3,204,900.

Media 9: News International gives print unions six months' notice of termination of agreements. **15:** *TUC urges* electricians' union to halt special supplement printed at the N. Int. east London plant at Wapping. **26:** More than 3.5 million copies of *The Times* and *Sunday Times* produced at Wapping.

Sport 2: England B cricket team's Bangladesh leg of overseas tour off after row over four members' South African connections. **7:** Cannon (UK) pulls out of Football League.

Science 28: US shuttle Challenger, carrying crew of seven, explodes in a fireball over the Atlantic.

The arts 28: Cargo of China porcelain from bottom of South China Sea is conservatively valued at £3 million. **29:** London's Sadler's Wells theatre to close and go into liquidation unless public subsidy is found.

FEBRUARY

Arriving: Cory Aquino



Business 10: European Consortium offer for Westland shares fails. **18:** Rank Organization makes unexpected £740 million bid for Granada.

People 6: Helicoptor millionaire Alan Bristow says he was offered a knighthood in return for dropping support for the European consortium's Westland rescue plan. **11:** Soviet dissident Anatoly Sharansky walks to freedom across icy Glienicke bridge, Berlin.

Weather 26: February 1986 confirmed as second coldest this century after 1947

Crime 10: Opening of Italy's biggest trial of 474 Mafia bosses in Palermo. **12:** Police file on Derek Hatton, deputy leader of Liverpool City Council, sent to the Director of Public Prosecutions. **27:** Twelve held after officers investigating a multi-million VAT gold fraud search records of Johnson Matthey Bankers. **28:** Sweden's Prime Minister Olof Palme killed by gunmen in Stockholm.

Abroad 4: Israeli aircraft force down an executive jet in an unsuccessful bid to catch suspected terrorists. **3:** Bomb terror in Paris. Two explode, one defused. **7:** President-for-life Jean Claude Duvalier flees Haiti. **10:** President Marcos of *the Philippines challenges*



Death in the air: all seven astronauts killed (January 28) as space shuttle Challenger explodes within minutes of launch

Cory Aquino's claim that she has won the presidential election. **16:** President Marcos quits and flies to sanctuary.

At home 4: Two biggest teachers' unions to take joint action against new GCSE exam. **5:** Conservative backbench revolt over proposed British Leyland sale to General Motors and Ford. **17:** Burke's Peerage to be wound up after 160 years with debts of over £8,000.

Media 2: Rupert Murdoch tells his 5,000 dismissed print workers that he will never allow traditional print unions into his Wapping plant. **10:** Sogat '82 fined £25,000 and £17 million assets seized in High Court after ignoring court injunction over picketing.

Sport 18: England's cricketers lose by six wickets to West Indies as Mike Gatting's nose is broken.

Medicine 3: Inquiry opens into allegations of professional incompetence against London Hospital consultant obstetrician Wendy Savage, but is subsequently halted by General Medical Council intervention. **11:** GMC overturns ruling on Pill confidentiality for girls under *16.*

MARCH

Retesting: Derek Hatton



Business 2: Land Rover management submits firm bid for the company under US takeover threat. **20:** Industry minister Geoffrey Pattie clears Guinness £2.4 billion takeover bid for Distillers.

People 4: Dr Kurt Waldheim, Austrian presidential candidate, accused of Nazi SS involvement. **20:** M Jacques Chirac (53) finally appointed Prime Minister of France, two days after being offered the job.

Crime 3: Riot police take to streets of Northern Ireland after mob protests against Anglo-Irish agreement. **12:** Dublin Police arrest Evelyn Glenholmes, wanted in conjunction with the Brighton bombing. Days later she walks free from a Dublin court over a legal blunder in London.

Abroad 7: South Africa's state of emergency suspended after 229 days and 757 deaths. **9:** Hopes fade for superpowers' summit as Washington cuts number of Soviet diplomats working in New York. **25:** Libya threatens to turn the Mediterranean into a "sea of blood" as US warplanes inflict heavy casualties around disputed coastal waters..

At home 2: 5,000 miners march through London aiming to win reinstatement for 500 sacked colleagues and to win freedom for 10 still in prison. **7:** Formal Labour Party charges of Militant membership served on Derek Hatton and 15 other Liverpool party workers. **14:** Conservative MP Geoffrey Dickens uses parliamentary privilege to name Essex doctor alleged to have raped a girl of eight. **27:** Greater London Council disbanded.

Media 4: Eddy Shah's new national colour tabloid paper, *Today,* goes on sale. **15:** Iron bars, broken bottles and flame canister found by police at 7,000-strong demonstration outside News International Wapping plant.

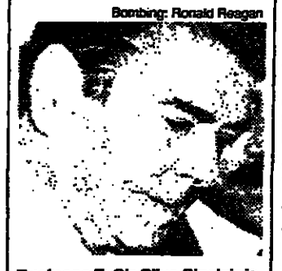
Sport 13: Dawn Run ridden by Jonjo O'Neill becomes first horse to land Cheltenham Gold Cup double. **21:** Mark Hughes, of Manchester United, joins Barcelona for record £2 million **25:** West Indies win third Test *match in Barbados.*

Medicine 10: Doctors attack announced 20p prescription rise to £2.20, an eleven-fold rise from 1979. **29:** Martin Guy (18) receives double heart and kidney transplant at Papworth Hospital.

Royals 19: Engagement is announced between Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson. **31:** Queen visibly shocked as she sees wreckage at Hampton Court Palace after a fire which killed a general's widow.

APRIL

Bombing: Ronald Reagan



Business 7: Sir Clive Sinclair is forced to pay his debts in £5 million patents sell-out. **18:** The Johnny Walker whisky and Gordon's Gin drinks group falls to Guinness.

People 16: Devon's exclusive Dartington Hall school closes after disclosures of under-age sex and drug-taking. **22:** Al Capone keeps the secret of his hidden fortune as the opening of his Lexington Hotel vault reveals only dust.

Crime 5: Bomb attack on West Berlin discotheque kills two, injures 204. **10:** Jennifer Guinness, wife of a wealthy Dublin banker, kidnapped and held for a £2 million ransom. She is freed six days later, unharmed. **14:** Keith White dies after being struck by a police plastic bullet during Easter Monday rioting in Portadown. **17:** Attempt to blow up an El Al plane from London to Tel Aviv is foiled after discovery of 10lb bomb in hand luggage of Arab terrorist's pregnant Irish girlfriend.

Abroad 2: Four passengers killed after an explosion ripped through an Athens-bound Boeing TWA airliner. **15:** US jets based in Britain kill reported 100 people in series of air attacks on Libya. **17:** Extremist Arab groups in Lebanon kill three British hostages, kidnap a British TV journalist and attack British Ambassador's Beirut residence in bloody retaliation. **21:** EEC toughens sanctions against Libya, to be followed by British deportion order of 21 Libyan nationals.

At home 9: Mrs Thatcher *meets two Ulster Statesmen,* amid growing speculation of Unionist concessions over Anglo-Irish agreements. **11:** Labour takes Fulham in morale boosting by-election victory. **29:** All-party MPs round on the Government for failing to give aid to few remaining Cornish tin mines.

Media 4: Print unions offered free gift of News International Gray's Inn Road plant in new bid to settle Wapping dispute, plus £15 million compensation package.

Sport 5: West Tip wins Grand National at Aintree. **6:** England cricketer Ian Botham denies drug abuse allegations made in the *News of the World.* **20:** Oxford United beat Queens Park Rangers 3-0 to win Milk Cup final.

Science 8: US calls off underground nuclear blast test at Nevada after Greenpeace protesters enter site. **28:** Massive radioactive leak reported at Chernobyl nuclear power station. **29:** Anger mounts at Moscow's failure to warn of spreading radiation from Chernobyl fire.

Royals 23: Spanish King Juan Carlos becomes first foreign monarch to address Parliament. **24:** The Duchess of Windsor dies at her Paris home, aged 89. She is later brought home for a simple funeral service before being *buried at Frogmore.*

MAY

Business 2: ABC cinema chain falls to American-based Cannon group.

People 2: Salvation Army's new international leader and general is Eva Burrows (56). **21:** In the Cabinet, Kenneth Baker takes over education and John Moore, transport. **23:** Mrs Thatcher urges American holidaymakers to come to Britain as fears of terrorists reprisals cost country millions.

Crime 17: General Galtieri and members of Argentina's former ruling military junta imprisoned for launching and losing Falklands War. **21:** Art treasures valued at £15 million stolen from Irish Republic country mansion. Some of the paintings are later found by boys on a fishing trip.

Abroad 3: 14 people killed in Air Lanka plane bomb tragedy. **5:** Western leaders meeting in Tokyo issue six-point plan for tackling state terrorism. **29:** Bitter battle over President Reagan's renunciation of Salt 2 Treaty.

At home 1: Prison officers call off industrial after widespread destruction in jails. **17:** Hippies

Running: Bob Geldof



bundled out from Stonehenge after a High Court writ. **25:** Two RAF officers killed when two vintage planes collide in front of spectators at Mildenhall Air Show, Suffolk.

Media 3: 175 police officers, 150 demonstrators injured, 81 arrests, in worst violence outside News International's Wapping plant. **26:** Rupert Murdoch makes new final £50 million offer. **30:** Cash crisis at *Today,* 11 weeks after euphoric launch.

Sport 5: Snooker outsider Joe Johnson beats Steve Davis in Embassy world snooker championships at Sheffield. **14:** Italian Formula 1 racing driver Elio de Angelis dies during race practice in France. **25:** Runners in 30 cities help raise £100 million in the "Race against Time." **29:** England all-rounder Ian Botham banned from first-class cricket after he admits taking cannabis.

Science 14: *Gorbachov admits* Chernobyl disaster figures of 92,000 people evacuated, nine dead and 299 injured. **29:** Chernobyl death toll climbs to 21.

JUNE

Punching: Diego Maradona



People 9: Policeman George Hammond back in uniform 16 months after being seriously injured as he tried to stop a robbery. **10:** Bob Geldof becomes honorary knight. Marries Paula Yates on 21st. **11:** Oliva Channon (22), daughter of Cabinet Minister Paul Channon, found dead after party at Oxford University. **12:** Derek Hatton, Militant's deputy leader of Liverpool City Council, finally expelled from Labour Party.

Crime 6: Colin Sampson, Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, to take over RUC alleged shoot to kill policy inquiry from John *Stalker, whose conduct he is* investigating. Later, Stalker is officially suspended from duty. **23:** Brighton bomber Patrick Magee jailed for 35 years for planting Provisional IRA bomb at Conservative conference in Brighton. **23:** Paris murder wave of the elderly claims 11th victim.

Abroad 6: World protest at election of Dr Kurt Waldheim as president of Austria. **12:** *State of emergency declared in* South Africa after arrest of hundreds of dissidents in dawn raids. **24:** Denis Healey arrives *in Johannesburg on four-day* visit but is barred from seeing imprisoned Nelson Mandela.

At home 5: David Steel warns Dr David Owen that Alliance faces almost certain disaster at the next General Election unless it can settle nuclear differences. **12:** Government confirms dissolution of Northern Ireland Assembly set up in 1982.

Sport 10: David Gower sacked as England cricket captain and replaced by Mike Gatting. **19:** England eliminated from World Cup as Argentina's Diego Maradona says "Hand of God" intervened in his first goal. **25:** African nations threaten to boycott Commonwealth Games if Zola Budd and Annette Crowley compete. **29:** Argentina beat West Germany 3-2 in World Cup final. **29:** Richard Branson captures trans-Atlantic Blue Riband.

JULY

People 13: Eduard Shevardnadze, Soviet Foreign Minister, arrives in Britain for arms limitation talks. **30:** Robert Kilroy-Silk, Labour MP for Merseyside Knowsley North, quits politics claiming he has been driven out by members of Militant Tendency.

Crime 4: Brian Chester acquitted of unlawful killing of John Shorthouse (5) during police raid on his parents' Birmingham home.

Colombian visit: the Pope



21: Sidney Noble, notorious Dr Death who preyed on sick and frail elderly women, given six life sentences. **28:** Estate agent Susannah Lamplugh, 25, vanishes after taking "Mr Kipper" to see a west London house.

Abroad 4: President Reagan unveils refurbished £171 million Statue of Liberty. **6:** Pope visits Amarmero, Colombo, which vanished in floods and mud after volcano eruption. **10:** Sir Geoffrey Howe sent packing by president P W Botha on mission to Africa; rejected by President Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe. **15:** President Reagan agrees to Salt 2 talks in Geneva.

At home 20: Clash between No 10 and Buckingham Palace is denied following report in *The Sunday Times.* **22:** MPs decide by one vote to ban corporal punishment in state schools.

Sport 6: Boris Becker retains Wimbledon Mens Singles championship, beating Ivan Lendl. Women's champion is Martina Navratilova. Nigel Mansell wins French Grand Prix. **13:** Nigel Mansell wins British Grand Prix. **20:** Boxer Frank Bruno knocked out in world heavyweight fight with Tim Witherspoon. **27:** Greg LeMond becomes first non-European to win Tour de France cycle race..

Royalty 23: Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson married at Westminster Abbey. Prince is created Duke of York. **24:** Duke of Edinburgh opens Commonwealth Games with 31 *nations absent.*

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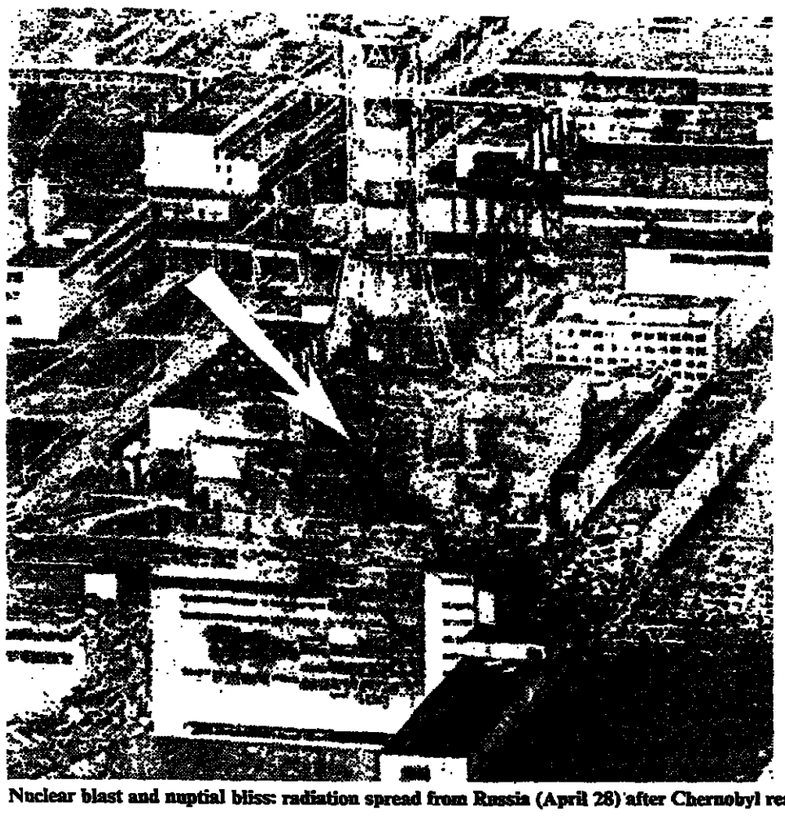
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Nuclear blast and nuptial bliss: radiation spread from Russia (April 28) after Chernobyl reactor fire, while the world rejoiced (July 23) as Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson married

AUGUST

Rejoicing: John and Stella Stalker



Business 6: Shares suffer record £4 billion one-day drop. **15:** Rolls Royce wins £600 million contract to build engines for Boeing 747s.

***People* 13:** *Prime Minister's* personal popularity sinks to lowest level since last General *Election*. **22:** *John Stalker*, suspended deputy chief constable of *Greater Manchester*, *reinstated*. **28:** Mrs Thatcher returns to refurbished Grand Hotel, *Brighton*, *22 months after the* IRA bomb. **31:** US journalist Nicholas Daniloff arrested by Russians for spying.

Weather 24: Despite popular impression, summer has been about average, say Met. Office.

Crime 15: Jayne Scott sent to *prison* for seven years after found guilty of frenzied attack on her homosexual lover. **20:** *John Fleming*, *wanted* for questioning in connection with Brinks Mat gold robbery, held by *US* emigration after *being* deported from Costa Rica.

***Abroad* 4:** *Commonwealth* summit on South Africa ends in failure with Britain isolated. *British Army dismisses* 111 Gurkhas after a brawl in which two senior officers were *injured*. **25:** *Volcanic gas from Lake* Nyon in Cameroon kills 1,500, affects another 20,000 and *devastates lakeside* population. **27:** 21 die and 98 injured in feared rent eviction *clashes with police in South* Africa. **29:** East German family make dramatic escape to *West by driving lorry* through Checkpoint Charlie in Berlin Wall.

At home 20: Government agrees to build another lane at cost of £20 million on busiest section of overcrowded M25. **27:** 18 American F1-11 aircraft fly into Wiltshire as US defence department denies any connection with Libya.

Media 1: Police inquiry into attack on TNT newspaper distribution centre by 200-strong mob who burnt copies of *The Times* and the *Sun*. **22:** £7 million campaign launched to increase ailing circulation of *Today* as Lonrho assume control.

Sport 3: Wembley turf is invaded by the padded giants *of American football*, the Chicago Bears and Dallas Cowboys. **20:** Bobby Robson to continue as England's manager until after World Cup in 1990. **21:** In Third Test against New Zealand, Ian Botham takes three wickets to set world record of 357 wickets in Test matches.

Medicine 6: Dr William *Schroeder*, who lived record 620 days with mechanical heart, dies in US hospital. **7:** *President* Reagan and White House staff submit to drug tests as part of the *administration's war on drugs*.

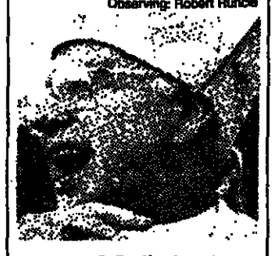
Science 19: Sellafield nuclear reprocessing complex shut after radioactivity is found to be above government safety limits.

Royals 5: Princess Anne has her first racing victory at Redcar. **7:** Prince and Princess *of Wales and children arrive in* Majorca for a non-package holiday as guests of King and *Queen of Spain*.

Anniversaries 13: Armed East German border guards and angry West Berliners jeer across the Berlin Wall, 25 years after the city was split by barbed wire. **18:** Reykjavik, capital of Iceland, celebrates its bicentenary.

SEPTEMBER

Observing: Robert Runcie



Business 9: Bedford trucks announce cut back in production with 1,450 jobs loss. **11:** Wall Street share prices tumble in sharpest fall since 1929 Great Crash. London prices crash in *sympathy*. **24:** TSB share offer ends. **25:** Three senior Austin Rover executives including chairman Harold Musgrove leave *Rover Group*. Company loses £200 million in first six months of 1986.

People 8: Archbishop of Canterbury visits Crossroads *squatter camp* with newly enthroned Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, the *Most Reverend Desmond* Tutu. **24:** Mrs Edwina Currie, junior Health Minister, heavily criticized for telling people of Newcastle that their ill health was *linked to poor diet*, *smoking and alcohol*.

Crime 9: British football supporters linked to Heysel *stadium disaster*, *Belgium*, formally accused of manslaughter at London court. **11:** Strong police operation in Bristol St Paul's area against drug dealing and violent crime erupts into riots with 75 arrests. **29:** Sheffield solicitor Ian Wood wanted in connection with murder of his pregnant mistress and her young daughter climbs 200 feet up an Amiens cathedral tower.

***Abroad* 5:** *American airliner* seized by five gunmen in Karachi who kill 18 of the 400 *passengers as plane is* stormed by Pakistani commandos. In Istanbul, 21 *worshippers are killed in their* synagogue; one woman dies and 18 injured in Paris bomb *attack*. **7:** *Soviet Union says* journalist Nicholas Daniloff is to be charged with spying. **16:** *177 gold miners killed in fire* more than one mile underground at Kinross mine, *Transvaal*. **18:** *French military* attaché in Beirut is shot and killed outside French Embassy *in east Beirut*. **29:** *Release of* Nicholas Daniloff and two prominent dissident Jews after *superpower crisis* and expulsion from New York of American accused spy Gennady Zakharov. Superpower leaders announce surprise summit in Iceland.

At home 4: At TUC congress Neil Kinnock is told unions will fight relentlessly his policy of winding down nuclear power industry. **8:** Mrs Thatcher opens Japanese car factory plant in Washington, County Durham. Labour Party publishes plan to take British Telecom and other privatized industries into "social ownership." **19:** Two passenger trains crash head on in Staffordshire, one dies, many injured. **23:** Heathrow swamped by immigrants before British introduction of visas for passengers from Nigeria, Ghana, Pakistan, India and Bangladesh. **26:** Defiant Liberal leader David Steel vows to keep nuclear deterrent. **28:** At Labour Party *conference* Neil Kinnock pledges to reject US nuclear cover and to close down their *bases in Britain* but defeats Arthur Scargill's attempt to commit phasing out of nuclear *energy within five years*.

Sport 14: Australian Greg Norman wins European Open Golf Championship at Sunningdale and Aston Villa manager Graham Turner is dismissed. **23:** Cabinet anger over Football League expulsion of Luton Town from Littlewoods Cup for refusing to allow Cardiff City supporters into their ground in a fight against hooliganism **27:** Lloyd Honeyghan of Bermondsey becomes world welterweight boxing champion.

Medicine 5: Survey reveals British senior executives work stressful 53 hours a week and a quarter are too tired to make love after a working day. **22:** Ten-week-old Jem Paterson becomes world's youngest heart and lung transplant patient after London hospital operation, but later dies.

Royals 12: First public engagement together as Duke and Duchess of York as couple visit a County Durham school for disturbed children. **17:** Princess of Wales brings back Fifties nostalgia as she sports swept back "D A" hair style.

OCTOBER

Touring: The Queen



Business 27: *The City's Big* Bang turns into a shambles as computer fails.

People 1: PC Philip Olds, shot and paralysed while tackling two gunmen, is found dead. **19:** President Machel of Mozambique and other government members killed when their aircraft crashes on South African borders. **26:** *Jeffrey Archer* resigns as deputy chairman of Conservative Party after allegations in a Sunday newspaper.

Crime 24: Nezer Hindawi, who tried to use his pregnant girlfriend as a human bomb, sentenced to 45 years. Britain breaks off diplomatic links with Syria. **28:** Jeremy Bamber handed five life sentences for murder of his family at their Essex farmhouse.

Abroad 10: Earthquakes shake El Salvador. Death toll eventually reaches 890 and 10,000 injured. **11:** President Reagan and Mr Gorbachov fail to agree arms control after two-day summit in Iceland. Followed by retaliatory expulsion of diplomats.

At home 1: *Labour Party to* phase out nuclear power in decades rather than months, but votes in favour of a non-nuclear defence policy. **14:** Angry parents withdraw children from a Haringey, London, council primary school over "gay lib" policy. **21:** Rumours of a marriage rift *between the Archbishop of* Canterbury and his wife are condemned by his bishops as *"scurrilous and baseless"*. **28:** Peace movement plans to distribute white poppies rather than traditional red for Remembrance Sunday. **29:** Mrs Thatcher opens final section of M25.

Media 22: Kingsley Amis receives Booker Prize for *The Old Devils*.

Sport 5: Dancing Brave wins Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in record time. Gary Kasparov retains the world chess championship against Anatoly Karpov. **26:** Nigel Mansell fails top win world formula championship when a tyre bursts during *Australian Grand* Prix. **17:** Birmingham loses to Barcelona in bid to host 1992 Olympics.

Royals 12: The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh visit China. The Duke tells English students if they stay in China too long they will become "slitty-eyed".

NOVEMBER

Business 23: Barclays announces selling of its interests in South Africa. **26:** More than 250,000 completed application forms arrive for sale of British Gas shares.

People 17: First day of Australian court hearing to *stop former MI5 counter-*intelligence officer Peter Wright publishing his memoirs.

Crime 10: John Steed, dubbed the M4 rapist, given four life sentences for attacks on young women in southern England. **17:** Georges Besse, managing director of Renault, shot dead in Paris.

Abroad 4: Details emerge of *US hostage arms deal*. *Reagan* later goes on television to assume full responsibility for *secret US operation*. **25:** *Vice* Admiral John Poindexter, Reagan's national security *adviser*, *resigns* and Lt Col Oliver North, shadow military adviser, is sacked over Iran *affair*.

Accusing: Peter Wright



At home 4: Brent infants' school headteacher Maureen McGoldrick is reinstated after being suspended for allegedly making racist remarks. **6:** 45 oil rig men die as a Chinook helicopter crashes into the sea in the Shetland Islands. **28:** Education secretary Kenneth Baker publishes his Bill giving him sweeping powers to determine teachers' pay.

Media 5: *Ban on News* International papers in three Labour council-run public libraries are declared unlawful. **12:** Michael Lush dies while practising for Noel Edmonds's *Late Late Breakfast Show*. **21:** Robert Maxwell awarded £55,000 libel damages against satirical magazine *Private Eye*.

Medicine 21: AIDS cases in Britain reach 512 . Government reacts with £20 million shock tactics campaign.

Royals 26: Historian Francis *Watson* says King George V died prematurely because his doctor administered injections of cocaine and morphine so that the morning newspapers, including *The Times*, would be the first to carry his death announcement.

DECEMBER

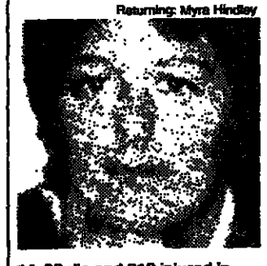
Business 19: Government wins its case to scrap GEC's Nimrod spy plane in favour of American AWACS.

People 12: *A doctor is* acquitted of raping a girl (8) while she slept at his home. **20:** John Stalker, to quit.

Crime 5: Sebastian Guinness jailed for his part in the death of Olivia Channon who died of drink and heroin overdose at an Oxford party. **16:** Moors *murderess* Myra Hindley returns 20 years later to bleak Saddleworth Moor, Yorkshire, to help search for more bodies.

Aboard 7: French Premier *Jacques Chirac withdraws* his controversial University reform Bill student rioting. **11:** South *Africa imposes* sweeping new censorship of radio, newspaper and TV reporting.

Returning: Myra Hindley



14: 98 die and 310 injured in worst outbreak of ethnic *violence in recent history of* Karachi. **19:** Soviet Union announces end to the internal *exile of Dr Andrei Sakharov*.

At home 7: . Left-wing Brent council drops proceedings against Miss McGoldrick. **11:** Sellafield nuclear plant threatened with closure unless modifications are made. **20:** Conservatives leap to 8.5 per cent lead over Labour in Gallup survey.

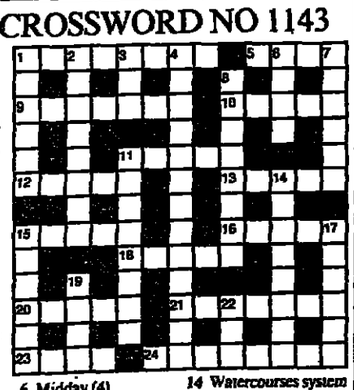
Sport 14: America fails to *reach America's Cup* final for first time in 135 years after being beaten by New Zealand. **15:** *Nigel Short, Britain's* top ranked chess grandmaster, defeats Soviet World *champion, Gary Kasparov*. **19:** Former champion jockey Lester Piggott accused of *making a false tax statement*. **27:** England retain Ashes after innings and 14 run-victory.

Medicine 18: Miner's wife Davina Thompson (35) given new heart, lungs and liver in seven-hour transplant

Arts 1: Sunlit street scene by *Manet becomes most* expensive modern painting sold at auction at £7.7 million.

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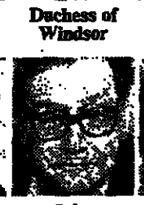
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THE ARTS

Humour undated

"Long time, no see" was how Detective Chief Superintendent Slipper apparently greeted Ronald Biggs on the ninth floor of his hotel in Rio. It is a phrase, now shaped as a promise, which he is effectively repeating to the BBC. Denied, through his legal action, knowing Biggs's dramatized reply due to the postponement of *Slip-up* (BBC1), one had to make do with Archive Night on Channel 4 and programmes one had not seen since 1968.

TELEVISION

Do Not Adjust Your Stocking, featuring most of the Monty Python team, was black and white and scratched. The clothes had dated and so had the haircuts, but most of the subversive, confident humour had not. A Movietone take-off of the Royal Father Christmas College assured us "it's a man's life in the fairy grotto". (Watching the men in red at practice tumbling down chimneys, we had to remember that on Christmas Eve "they do all this in the dark.") Best of the lot was Denise Coffey in *feather boa, sequins and* Thora Hird glasses as she introduced Terry Jones for his impersonation of the London Symphony Orchestra going up the Zambesi in a storm. It worked because we seemed to be eavesdropping on a private joke (or being treated as this joke). There was no question of having to sit listening while it was explained.

The Lovers, by Jack Rosenthal — who has been monopolizing the December screen — had also survived well from 1970. A neatly twisted comedy about would-be marrieds, it reminded one of a time when British Rail had pictures in compartments, when girls got tiddly on egg-flips and when Maureen Lipman was not only a good actress but beautiful.

New Faces, New Stars did not come up from the cellar with such a pleasant bouquet. Messily edited, this compilation of various winners showed that some of the people impersonated had lasted an even shorter time than those taking the mickey. The "sensational Roger de Courcy" was anything but; Gary Wilmot was frenetically unfunny; and Aiden J. Harvey proved he could not impersonate his way into a dry cleaner's. By far the most talented and enduring were black performers like Lenny Henry, Patti Boulaye and Sweet Sensation.

Finally, since we are dealing with coldish turkey, it is unfair that *Harty's Christmas Party* (BBC2, Christmas Eve) should pass without a belated belch. Random comments from a room of six people aged between 20 and 83: "Who's that awful man? — he's *terrible*." "Oh, but the *man* behind is even worse." "I think it's so bad it must be live." "Is that a real fire? It looks like a pub." "I don't know why we're watching it." And, to your critic — condemned as the person who is "meant to know something about television" — "How on earth is this allowed?"

Nicholas Shakespeare

Time to grant a growing-up

Sir Michael Levey (*right*) today retires after 13 years as Director of the National Gallery, taking with him memories both bitter and sweet: interview by Nicholas Shakespeare

With a fist on his lips, Sir Michael Levey stares into the dark surface of his long dining-table in the National Gallery. "The value of a work of art, like a house in Dulwich, is established by demand. If you want to buy a Barratt Home there, a) you have my sympathy, b) you know it's not worth it. Nothing's worth anything. It's like saying how much would you pay if your children were kidnapped." With an animated blink, he looks up. "Do you remember that Saki story where someone paid for their children not to come back?" He shakes his monkish head at the thought of a man about whom he was once keen to write a biography. "What a great awful writer he was."

A "gifted amateur" is how Levey recently described himself, one who has risen to the top without *formal training* and who would "rather be dissolute and sexy than respectable". He comes over as a nervous hedonist, though, with something of the White Rabbit about him: an air of impatience and hurry as he is jerked by a watch-chain from one meeting to another. This too belies a fundamental toughness, for he is outspoken in his quiet, determined way. It is a way that has served our premier art gallery well in the 13 years since his appointment as Director.

"I always wanted to go while I retained the odd marble", he says of his retirement. "I want to see what leisure is. I want, Garbo-like, to slop around and be left alone. I'm going to be a different person, hopefully — as they wrongly say. All this writing about art is like camping at the gates of a great house and hoping you might be mistaken for the owner." Instead of adding to his long list of monographs, on Tiepolo and Watteau and the history of painting from Giotto to Cezanne, he will take off his jacket and tie and write fiction — like his wife, the novelist Brigid Brophy. While admitting he was "a nit" to think no connection would be made between his respectable public position and his authorship of two dissolutely sexy novels, he wants at last "to have a shot at being the creator, not the interpreter".

Were his younger, interpretative self to enter now and see whether the retiring man had fulfilled the hopes of 13 years ago, Levey admits he would find some things undone. "I haven't succeeded as well as I'd have liked at attracting a wider segment of society. It's nothing to do with numbers; they've risen dramatically (by a million to nearly three million). I'm just haunted by a feeling there's an audience out there who would find it mightn't be terribly different from choosing a certain tie or blouse. One ought to be able to come in here and enjoy oneself partly by saying 'I absolutely loathe that'." Picking up a paper napkin, he prods an old chestnut — the fact that our system of education has never fostered an interest in things seen; that the very English admonition "Don't Look" has meant our appreciation of painting is relegated to a pastime, a wet afternoon pursuit. "Our country *should generate as much interest in* coming to see Titian as in being aware of Shakespeare." And, twisting the napkin, "I consider that painter as central to a civilized person as the Bard".

Unlike Kenneth Clark, Levey was an inside appointment. He had worked in the gallery since coming down from Oxford in 1951 — his first task was to put books away in the library — and become assistant to Sir Martin Davies, his scholarly predecessor. When offered Davies's job, he immediately scurried round to Downing Street, rang the bell and handed in his letter of acceptance. "There was a head of steam by a staff altogether beginning to be impatient that the National Gallery could do more. I suppose I was 'the people's choice'." Many innovations of his reign were introduced in conjunction with this staff. The Artist in Residence, for instance, was an idea of Alistair Smith of the Education Department, who also came up with the Artist's Eye series (pitting the work of a contemporary artist against the Old Master paintings of his choice). Both emphasized continuity in art. Both encouraged penetration of the Portman stone façade and the notion, dear to Levey, of enjoyment through understanding. As for how he saw his own task, "it was to preserve and display the collection I inherited and do all I could to enhance it, extend it and extend an appreciation of it".

Under Levey's aegis, the gallery crossed the Rubicon into the 20th century, with purchases of Matisse and Picasso. Though it remains deficient in David, Munch and Gauguin — and 19th-century France as a whole — the collection has been augmented by about four major paintings a year since 1973. "The opportunities that have come my way may not be repeated", he *stresses*.

His purchasing grant has been pared to £2.75 million, "a figure kept at last year's level, itself a figure of the year before which was cut by Gowrie. And this has to last us to March 1988. It makes you whistle", he says, not whistling. Indeed, without the Getty windfall of £50 million, one wonders what exactly the gallery could now purchase. *Recent Old Masters* like Mantegna and Turner have gone for £8 million — which is still cheap compared with the budget of a movie. But, in a year or so, Levey can imagine a Rembrandt fetching £30 million.

"The present position is indefensible. It is deeply shocking that someone bears the title of Minister for the Arts and does nothing for them. It makes one wonder whether the arts would be better without a minister. We used to have a Minister without Portfolio. We're in danger of having a Minister without the Arts." Warming to his theme, Levey includes the whole of the present administration. "They don't come and see the pictures. They don't understand what art is about. Very few have the courage to say 'I am illiterate'. Very few have the courage to say 'Every time I see a book, I throw it on the fire'. They're precious near to that in the visual arts, whose neglect has shown their basic lack of imagination. It's no different to saying No Saunas or Gymnasiums, where bodies are exercised. These places", he says, looking around, his napkin now in pieces, "are about exercising the visual muscles. Yet they say 'It's super as it stands — it needn't expand'. It's like telling someone of ten 'You needn't grow up any more, you're a marvellous height for a boy of your age'."

There is no better testimony to Levey's temperament and achievement than the current exhibition of his selected acquisitions, reviewed by John Russell Taylor on this page yesterday. Walking up the stairs, a white-bearded man recognizes him and throws out his arms. "Sic monumentum requiris", he says, quoting Wren's epitaph, "circumspice." Levey laughs nervously — his own preferred epitaph would be "He wrote some things it is a pleasure to re-read" — and shows me round his monument. It is a monument constructed with paintings by artists like Rubens, Caravaggio, Monet and Klimt — 33 in all, roughly the number of the original collection in 1824 when it was located in a private house off Pall Mall. He halts before his favourite, a portrait of the *Balbi* children by Van Dyck. He remembers, when he was five, a reproduction of it in his parents' bedroom. "I love the grandeur, the glamour, the poignancy", he says of the original, his fist on his lips again, his eyes roving over the three boys. "They've all been told they can grow up."



Playful surface

THEATRE

Losing Venice
Lyceum Studio, Edinburgh

Since it was first shown 18 months ago the Traverse production of John Clifford's *Losing Venice* has travelled a long way in more than one sense. Before moving on to London and Hong Kong, it returned to Edinburgh, bringing with it the freight of international acclaim that it has accumulated and that is, in one sense, a burden — both deadening the palate to the play's freshness and raising expectations for something more complete.

Clifford's play is not a weighty masterpiece — it is a gentle and playful comedy which, for most of its length, works well on its own terms. The trouble with it eventually is that the themes it takes on begin to demand more involved and meaty discussion.

Clifford sketches out life in the decaying grandeur of the Spanish empire, ironically and ingeniously calling upon traditional elements of Spanish drama to do so, combining poetic fantasy and earthy realism. Here a tiresome warmongering Duke (Andrew Wilde) is sent, with his poet Quevedo and his servant Pablo, to "rescue" Venice from the Turk — his departure engineered by his distracted wife and ageing King so as to be rid of his pompous presence.

When it was first shown the implied contemporary parallels struck home and clearly, behind its loose historical setting, is a more general comment on imperial power and the nature of war. For the Duke, war is the means of finding purpose within a declining empire and, as he constantly seeks resolution and domination, his blinkered outlook makes him impervious to the more harmonious existence that Quevedo and Pablo discover in Venice — a lost state of a different kind that changes their lives.

In the larger space of the Lyceum Studio (being used by the Traverse in a laudable attempt to extend to a wider public), Dermot Hayes's pale wooden two-tiered set creates a bright, light atmosphere that complements the feeling running through much of Jenny Killick's production. Now far tighter and more crisply choreographed, it is a vivacious production, balancing the play's farce and banter with its more poetic elements.



Andrew Wilde as the Duke who finds purpose in war

There are some lovely performances: from Bernard Doherty as a world-weary wordmonger who finds himself regenerated, from Kate Duchene as a crisp Duchess, from Penny Bunton as a beautiful, placid Venetian nun and from Ralph Riach and Roger Hyams as the monarch and his unctuous servant.

Sarah Hemming

CONCERT

Broadside Band
Wigmore Hall

The time-honoured art of "borrowing" someone else's tune, adapting it slightly to suit a new medium, and thus creating without too much mental anguish a tidy little earner for oneself, has not entirely been forgotten in our century. But those tiresome laws of copyright have rendered such enterprises more hazardous. The heyday of the great musical plagiarists was undoubtedly in late 17th- and early 18th-century London, when Handel was (to quote one charitable contemporary) "taking other men's pebbles and polishing them into diamonds", John Playford was recycling folk-tunes for domestic use and John Gay was happily beggaring every ballad he could lay his hands on.

Tracing family connections between popular 17th-century tunes was the prime purpose of this entertaining Broadside Band programme. In one virtuoso sweep, for instance, we heard the famous Italian chord sequence "La folia" first in its English ballad versions, then in Scottish ("Gilliecrankie") and Irish ("Planxty Davis") forms and finally in the folk-song versions aurally transmitted down the generations and collected by Vaughan Williams as "The Miller of the Dee" and "Dives and Lazarus".

Similarly a French tune was performed first in its stately pavan form, then in Playford's English country-dance version "Parson upon Dorothy" — a title which suggests the sort of 17th-century pastime that put the pep into Pepys. A little more pep in the Broadside Band's playing would have been welcome: perhaps a *drum might have enhanced* some of the jigs. Jeremy Barlow's spoken introductions had their languid areas too, solidly informative though they were.

Nevertheless, there was much inventive embellishing to admire, particularly from the lutenist George Weigand and the viol-player Rosemary Thorndycraft as they turned the variations on "Go from my Window" audaciously away from the dignified original and towards something of almost Spanish fervour. The four-strong band was at its best, though, in big *tutti* numbers, where the whirl of improvisation was firmly and rhythmically underpinned.

John Potter, usually such a stalwart ensemble singer, sounded awkward here. Many of the *Beggar's Opera* tunes seemed to take his tenor into uncomfortable regions, and his diction was not quite clear enough to put across every salacious detail of "Twas Within a Furlong of Edinburgh Town". But he made a bold fist of characterizing "Mad Tom of Bedlam", and his versatility helped the medleys to flow freely.

Richard Morrison

LONDON DEBUTS

The tragic death of the young pianist Terence Judd in 1979 has brought in its wake an important and lasting tribute: a biennial award given in his name, which is now settling down as a regular event with the Wigmore Hall appearance of its third winner, **William Stephenson**.

On this occasion it is clear that the judges have chosen an able technician. In the most taxing Liszt items Stephenson ensured every note was in its proper place, and the exultant gasp as he brought "Vallée d'Obermann" to a spectacularly vehement close showed how much he enjoys the physical side of playing. Yet even here it is arguable how much music he was finding in the notes. The only points which really struck home were isolated ideas that he seized upon with force, a feature that was just as evident (thought less welcome) in the Beethoven and Debussy that made up the first half.

No such problems troubled the viola player **Prunella Pacey**. If anything, the opposite was true: her Purcell Room début with the pianist Frank Mol was full of genuine and understated musical values, as one might expect from a chamber music player with her depth of experience. Any fault came in a tendency to let the tension in the performances sag. But Brahms's F minor Sonata brought forth a stronger, more resilient style and there was real eloquence in her playing of the mournful Elegy for solo viola by Britten. The virtues of simplicity here were well stated.

Richard Fairman

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ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL 928 3191 CC 928 8800 Until 17 Jan. Eves 7.30 Mats 3pm LONDON FESTIVAL BALLET THE NUTCRACKER Today 3pm: Hall/Alberti/Fleming/ Armand/James/ Johnson/Liss. Ton't 7.30: Terabust/Sevillano/ Schaufuss/Skoog/Bruce/ Grant/Liss.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE 240 1066/1911. Stdby Info 836 6903. S CC. Tickets £1-£22.50 (Ballet) £2-£40 (Opera). 65 amphi seats avail on the day. Ton't, Tomor 7.30 THE ROYAL BALLET The Nutcracker. Ballet casting info: 01-240 9815.

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916. First Call CC 24hr 7 day 240 7200. Until 17 Jan. Eves 7.30. Sat Mats 2.30. SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET Ton't, Fri & Sat: THE SNOW QUEEN. Mon to Thurs: COPPELIA

THEATRES

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913 /4 CC 741 9999/836 7358/379 6433 Grp Sales 930 6123 First Call 24hr 7 day CC 240 7200 (bkg fee) NOW BOOKING TO MAY 30 1987 ME AND MY GIRL THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL Nightly at 7.30 Mats Wed at 2.30 & Sat 4.30 & 8.00 "THE HAPPIEST SHOW IN TOWN" S Express

ALBERY 836 3878 cc 379 6565/ 379 6433/ 741 9999 Group Sales 836 3962. Eves 8pm LIMITED LONDON SEASON DAVE ALLEN LIVE "DEVASTATINGLY FUNNY" LBC

ALBERY 836 3878 cc 379 6565/ 379 6433/ 741 9999/ Grps 836 3962 1.30 & 4.15 daily. LAST WEEK. David Wood's THE OLD MAN OF LOCHNAGAR A Musical Play for children. From the book by HRH The Prince of Wales.

AMBASSADORS 01-836 6111 cc 836 1171. First Call (24 hrs/7 days) 240 7200 (bkg fee). Eves 7.30. Wed mat 3, Sat 4 & 8 Royal Shakespeare Company's LES LIAISONS DANGEREUSES Winner 4 "BEST PLAY" awards Lindsay Duncan "BEST ACTRESS" Olivier Awards '86

ALDWYCH 01 836 6404/0641 cc 01 379 6233. 01 741 9999 DOROTHY TUTIN SUSAN ENGEL HARRY TOWB STEVEN MACKINTOSH ROBERT GLENISTER in NEIL SIMONS BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS Directed by MICHAEL RUDMAN A National Theatre Production "Humour at its best, a rich and loving production" Daily Mail "A beautifully shaped family comedy" Times " It will run for a long time" Time Out Eves Mon - Fri 7.30 Mats Weds 3.0 Sats 5.00 & 8.30 First Call 24 hr 7 day cc 01 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Ticketmaster 01 379 6433 (no bkg fee) Grp Sales 01 930 6123.

APOLLO THEATRE 437 2663 434 3598 First Call 01-240 7200 Ticketmaster cc 379 6433 Mon-Fri 8. Sat 4.30 & 8.15 Thurs Mats 3. PAUL SCOFIELD "MASTERLEY" F.Times HOWARD ROLLINS "MAGNIFICENT" D.Mail I'M NOT RAPPAPORT "Wonderfully funny" D.Exp TONY AWARD BEST PLAY

APOLLO VICTORIA SS 828 8665 CC 630 6262 Party Bkgs 828 6188 First Call cc (24hr) 240 7200 CC OPEN ALL HOURS 379 6433 Grp Sales 930 6123. Tkts from W H Smith Travel Branches. Eves 7.45 Mats Tue & Sat 3.0 "A MUSICAL THAT SURPASSES ANYTHING AROUND IN EVERY DIMENSION" D Exp STARLIGHT EXPRESS Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER Lyrics by RICHARD STILGOE Directed by TREVOR NUNN APPLY DAILY TO BOX OFFICE FOR RETURNS Special concessions at £5 on Tues mats for OAP's NOW BOOKING TO SEPT 1987

BARBICAN 01 628 8795/638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-8pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY BARBICAN THEATRE tickets available FINAL PERFORMANCES ton't & Fri 7.30, tomor & Sat 2.00 & 7.30 SCENES FROM A MARRIAGE by Feydeau "Magnificent... most enjoyable." D.Tel. MISALLIANCE by Shaw returns 5 & 6 Jan THE PIT ton't & Fri 7.30, tomor & Sat 2.00 & 7.30 THE ARCHBISHOP'S CEILING by Arthur Miller. PRINCIPIA SCRIPTORIAE by Richard Nelson returns 5 & 6 Jan.

BLOOMSBURY, Gordon St. WC1 387 9629 CC 380 1453. Until Today, Fri & Mon 2pm. Tomor 2pm & 7pm. Sat 2pm & 5pm. Tue 10.30am & 2pm THE ADVENTURES OF MR TOAD, The Sparkling New Family Musical. "Consistently catchy tunes" Indep.

CHURCHILL Bromley 460 6677 DICK WHITTINGTON Roy Hudd. Roger de Courcey & Nookie Bear. Bill Pertwee. Jimmy Thompson. Lyn Paul.

COMEDY THEATRE 930 2578 CC 240 7200/379 6433/741 9999 Grps 930 6123 "A superb acting partnership" Times JOHN ALDERTON GWEN TAYLOR SUSAN PENHALIGON THE MAINTENANCE MAN A Comedy by Richard Harris "A MARITAL MASTERPIECE ...WONDERFULLY FUNNY" N of the W "The applause of rapturous recognition" D Mail "Very funny indeed" S.Exp Mon-Thu 8 Fri/Sat 5.30 & 8.30

COTTESLOE 'S' 928 2252 CC (National Theatre's small auditorium) Ton't, Tomor. Fri 7.30. Sat 2.30 & 7.30 last perfs THE BAY AT NICE and WRECKED EGGS by David Hare. Previews Tue 7.30 & Jan 7 at 2.30 & 7.30. Opens Jan 8 at 7.00. Then Jan 9 at 7.30& Jan 10 at 2.30 & 7.30 SOPHIE Ton't 6pm The Orton Diaries 45 min platform perf all tkts £2.00

CRITERION S 930 3216 CC 379 6565/379 6433/741 9999. Grps 836 3962. Evgs 8.00. Thu mat 2.30. Sat 5.30 & 8.30 "BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" D Mail The Theatre of Comedy Company DEREK FOWLDS ROYCE MILLS ALFRED MARKS ANITA GRAHAM JACKI PIPER SAM COX RUN FOR YOUR WIFE! Written and directed by RAY COONEY Over 1,600 side-splitting perfs "SHOULD RUN FOR LIFE" S. Ex Good seats avail Thurs mats.

DOMINION THEATRE 580 8845/ 9562. ALL tel CC bkg FIRST CALL 24hr 7 day on 836 2428 NO BOOKING FEE Grp Sales 930 6123 DAVE CLARK'S TIME THE ULTIMATE EXPERIENCE CLIFF RICHARD AS 'THE ROCK STAR' THE PORTRAYAL OF 'AKASH' BY LAURENCE OLIVIER Mon-Fri 7.30 Thu Mat 2.30 Sat 4 & 8.15. At Thurs mats only "The Rock Star" will be performed by John Christie SPECIAL CONCESSIONS at £7 all perfs except Fri & Sat eves for OAP's, UB40's, students & under 16's avail 1 hr before perf. Reduced prices Thurs mats only £7 & £10 New Booking to April '87. SEATS AVAIL FOR PERF TON'T

DONMAR WAREHOUSE 240 8230 cc 379 6565/6433 Til 10 Jan Eves 8pm. Sat mats 5pm DORY PREVIN. (Theatre closed Jan 1)

DUKE OF YORKS 836 5122 24 Hr cc 240 7200 836 9837 741 9999 379 6433 Eves 8. Thu 3. Sat 5 & 8.30 COMEDY OF THE YEAR Standard Drama Award 1984 STEPPING OUT Hit Comedy by Richard Harris Directed by Julia McKenzie "TRIUMPH ON TAP" Std THIRD HILARIOUS YEAR

DUCHESS S 836 8243 CC 240 9648 CC 379 6433 & CC 24 hr/7 day 240 7200 [illegible]

DRURY LANE THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & CC 01-836 8108. 01-240 9066/7. First Call 24hr 7 day cc bkgs on 01 240 7200 (no bkg fee). Ticketmaster 01 379 6433 (no bkg fee) David Merrick's 42ND STREET A SHOW FOR ALL THE FAMILY Winner of all the best Musical Awards for 1984 voted BEST MUSICAL STANDARD DRAMA AWARDS voted BEST MUSICAL LAURENCE OLIVIER AWARD voted BEST MUSICAL PLAYS & PLAYERS LONDON THEATRE CRITICS AWARD Evgs 8.0 Mats Wed 3.0, Sat 5.0 & 8.30 Reduced price mat Weds. Students and OAP's standby. Group Sales 930 6123

FORTUNE BO/CC 836 2238/9 Any F CALL "day 24hr 240 7200 (bkg fee) Grps 930 6123 DONT MISS First UK stage version J.R.R. Tolkien's THE HOBBIT BKG EXTENDED TO 24 JAN By public demand "Spectacular scenes and likeable heroes... imperishable magic" Times Tues-Fri at 3.00 & 7.30pm Sat at 2.00pm. 5.00 & 8.00pm Sun at 4.30 & 7.30pm

GARRICK S 01 379 6107. 1st call 24/hr 7 day 240 7200. Grp Sales 930 6123. Ticketmaster 379 6433 Eves 7.30. Sat 5 & 8 Mat Tue 3pm JUDI DENCH MICHAEL WILLIAMS "Class of their own" Std MR and MRS NOBODY by Keith Waterhouse Directed by Ned Sherrin "The best comedy to reach the West End this year" Times "EVERYBODY MUST SEE THIS NOBODY" D.Mail

GLOBE 437 1592 CC OPEN ALL HOURS 379 6433 1st Call 24 hr 240 7200 (no bkg fee) 741 9999 (no bkg fee) Grp Sales 930 6123. Tkts from W H Smith Travel Branches Eves 8 Mats Wed 3 Sat 4 Nominated for COMEDY OF THE YEAR Laurence Olivier Awards 1986 LEND ME A TENOR "If it's laughter you're after... then the fun comes nowhere thicker and faster" Std A Comedy by Ken Ludwig Directed by David Gilmore LAST 2 WEEKS

GLOBE 01-437 3667 cc 741 9999 1st Call 240 7200 24 hr 7 day (bkg fee) Grp Sales 930 6123 From 14 January OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - Olivier Awards '86 GLENDA JACKSON JOAN PLOWRIGHT in Lorca's "thrilling" Obs THE HOUSE OF BERNARDA ALBA with PATRICIA HAYES Nuria Espert - Best Director Standard Drama Awards

GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755. First Call cc 24hrs 240 7200 (bkg fee). Eves 7.45. Mats Sat 2.30. NIGHT MUST FALL [illegible]

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301. Eves 8. Sat Mat 4.30. SELLING THE SIZZLE. A New Comedy by Peter Gibbs. "Glorious high-farce performances from Dinsdale Landen and David Threlfall" Times. "Very funny" D.Exp. MUST END SAT!

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL Box office & CC 01-930 9832. 1st Call 24hr/7 day cc bkgs 240 7200 Ticketmaster 379 6433 Eves 7.30 Wed & Sat mats 2.30pm DEREK JACOBI in "A Truly Mesmerising Performance" S.Times BREAKING the CODE by HUGH WHITEMORE Joanna David Isabel Dean Michael Gough Dir by CLIFFORD WILLIAMS "THIS HUMAN, HUMANE, SERIOUS AND GRIPPING PLAY... VERY HIGHLY RECOMMENDED" S.Times

HER MAJESTY'S Haymarket 839 2244 CC OPEN ALL HOURS 379 6131 First Call CC 240 7200 ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S AWARD WINNING MUSICAL THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA Starring MICHAEL CRAWFORD SARAH BRIGHTMAN STEVE BARTON Claire Moore plays Christine at certain performances Directed by HAROLD PRINCE Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3 Now Booking to Oct 87. some Wed mats available, please contact box office for returns

LONDON PALLADIUM 437 7373. 741 9999 (no bkg fee). First Call 24 Hr 7 Day CC 240 7200. (NO BKG FEE) Grp Sales 930 6123. Ticketmaster 379 6433 OVER 250 PERFS of THE HIT MUSICAL COMEDY GEORGE HEARN LA CAGE AUX FOLLES "...A PALLADIUM ROAR OF APPROVAL" S.Tel Mon-Fri 7.30, Mats Wed 2.00 Sat 2.30 & 8.00 Stdnt concessions avail. at door Mon-Fri & Sat mats SEATS AVAILABLE FROM £7.50

LYRIC THEATRE Shaftesbury Ave W1 01-437 3686/7 01-434 1550. 01-434 1050. 01-734 5166/7 COLIN BLAKELY "A brilliant & joyously comic performance" F. Times The National Theatre's acclaimed production of ALAN AYCKBOURN'S A CHORUS OF DISAPPROVAL "Heartbreakingly funny" Gdn "Hilarious..." S Times "A rare evening of comic exhilaration" Times Evgs 7.30. Mats Wed and Sat 3.0. Group Sales 01-930 6123. Reduced price mats Student & OAP Stand-by First Call 24hr 7 day cc bookings on 01 240 7200 (no booking fee) Ticketmaster 01 379 6433 (no booking fee) WINNER OF ALL THE BEST COMEDY AWARDS FOR 1985 NOW BOOKING UNTIL APRIL '87

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH 01-741 2311 Eves 7.30 (Box office for details of mats) ALICE IN WONDERLAND adapted by John Wells, with music by Carl Davis. MR SPOON ON BUTTON MOON (Tel. box office for perf times). STUDIO Eves 8pm THE BLUERS SUNBIRD. Box Office Open Jan 1 from 12.00-6pm

LYTTELTON 'S' 928 2252 CC (National Theatre's proscenium stage) Today 2.15 (low price mat) & 7.45. Tomor 7.45 TONS OF MONEY by Will Evans and Valentine. Previews Fri, Sat Mon, Tue 7.45. Opens Jan 7 at 7.00. Then Jan 8 at 7.45 COMING IN TO LAND. (Jan 7 & 8 SOLD OUT)

MAYFAIR S CC 629 3036. Mon-Thu 8 Fri/Sat 5.40 & 8.10 RICHARD TODD in "The Best Thriller for years" S M THE BUSINESS OF MURDER "An unabashed winner" S Exp "Sensational" Times 6TH THRILLING YEAR

MAYFAIR SORRY ALL SEATS SOLD SOOTY'S XMAS SHOW SEE YOU NEXT YEAR

MERMAID THEATRE 01-236 5568 24hr cc 240 7200/ 379 6433/741 9999 Grp Sls 930 6123 Kenneth Grahame's wonderful THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS Twice daily 2 & 6. Ends January 10

NATIONAL THEATRE Sth Bank NATIONAL THEATRE COMPANY See SEPARATE ENTRIES under OLIVIER/LYTTELTON/ COTTESLOE. Excellent cheap seats days of perfs all theatres from 10 am. RESTAURANT (928 2033). EASY CAR PARK. Info 633 0880

NEW LONDON Drury Lane WC2 405 0072 CC OPEN ALL HOURS 379 6433. Tkts from W H Smith Travel Branches. Eves 7.45 Tue & Sat 3.00 & 7.45 THE ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER / T.S. ELIOT MUSICAL CATS APPLY DAILY TO BOX OFFICE FOR RETURNS Group Bookings 01 405 1567 or 01 930 6123. NOW BOOKING TO MAY 30 1987. Extra mat Jan 2 at 3pm. Seats available in Jan

OLD VIC 928 7616 cc 261 1821 Previews from 14 Jan. Opens 20 Jan at 7pm MALCOLM McDOWELL MARY STEENBURGEN CHERIE LUNGHI FRANK GRIMES and GEOFFREY BURRIDGE in HOLIDAY a comedy by Philip Barry Dir by LINDSAY ANDERSON

OLIVIER 'S' 928 2252 CC (National Theatre's open stage) Today, Tue 10.30am & 2.00 THE PIED PIPER a musical show from Browning's poem (for 6-11 year olds, low prices.) Ton't, Tomor 7.15 THE AMERICAN CLOCK a vaudeville by Arthur Miller. Fri 7.15, Sat 2.00 (low price mat) & 7.15 ANIMAL FARM Mon, Tue 7.00 prompt KING LEAR.

OLD VIC 928 7616 cc 261 1821 Eves 7.30. Wed Mats 2.30. Sats 4.00 & 7.45 MARIA AITKEN JUDI BOWKER FAITH BROOK BARBARA EWING JULIA FOSTER GEORGINA HALE PATTI LOVE DIANA QUICK ZENA WALKER and SUSANNAH YORK in THE WOMEN by Clare Boothe Luce "An female ritzy extravaganza" FT. "DELICIOUSLY FUNNY" Times. "Witty, wicked women's world" S.Exp. "STYLISH, STAR-STUDDED PRODUCTION" D Mirror LAST 2 WEEKS - MUST END JAN 10

PALACE THEATRE 434 0909 cc OPEN ALL HOURS 379 6433 First Call 24Hr 7Day cc 240 7200 Grp Sales 930 6123. Tkts from W H Smith Travel Branches THE MUSICAL SENSATION LES MISERABLES "IF YOU CAN'T GET A TICKET - STEAL ONE!" Std Eves 7.30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30 Latecomers not admitted until the interval BEAT THE TOUTS BY ENQUIRING FOR RETURNS AT THE BOX OFFICE. Now booking to Sept '87

PRINCE EDWARD Box Office 734 8951 First Call 24 Hr 7 Days cc Booking 836 3464 Grp Sales 930 6123. Mon-Sat 7.30 Mats Thurs & Sat 2.30 CHESS "A GRAND MASTER OF A SHOW" Newsweek Now booking to March 28, 1987 MAT SEATS SOMETIMES AVAILABLE ON DAY

PRINCE OF WALES W1 930 8681 /2 cc Hotline 930 0844/5/6. Grp Sales 930 6123. Keith Prowse 741 9999. Ticketmaster 379 6433 First Call 24 hour, 7 day (no BKG FEE) 240 7200 'ALLO 'ALLO with the TV SHOW STARS "It's all sauce of the café of laughs" D Exp. Eves 8. Fri & Sat 5.30 & 8.40 EXTRA PERF 31 Dec at 2.40 NOW BOOKING TO 30 MAY

QUEEN'S 01-734 1166/1167/ 0261/0120. 24hr cc 240 7200/ 379 6433 Grp Sales 930 6123. "THE BEST MUSICAL IN LONDON" Gdn "A WONDERFUL STAR" Mail MAUREEN LIPMAN in LEONARD BERNSTEIN'S WONDERFUL TOWN! "It ripples with excitement" S Times "Just wonderful" D.Exp Mon-Sat 8 Mats Wed 2.30 Sat 5

ROYALTY 01-831 0660 24hr cc 240 7200 cc 379 6433 741 9999 Group Sales 930 6123 JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT Twice daily at 2.30 & 7.30 Ends January 17

SAVOY THEATRE 01 836 8888. CC 379 6219, 836 0479. First Call 24 hr 7 day (no bkg fee) 240 7200. Keith Prowse 741 9999 (no bkg fee) Grp Sales 930 6123. Eves Mon-Fri 8pm, Sat 5 & 8.30. Wed Mat 3pm PATRICK MACNEE DAVID LANGTON JENNIE LINDEN & LIZ ROBERTSON in A Mystery Thriller for all the Family KILLING JESSICA Directed by BRYAN FORBES "Ranking with 'Sleuth' for surprise & ingenuity" D Mail. "In the time-honoured manner of an Agatha Christie thriller" Std. "THIS SHOW IS A SURE-FIRE WINNER" Listener

SHAFTESBURY THEATRE OF COMEDY 01 379 5399 CC 01 379 6433/ 741 9999 , First Call 24 hr 240 7200 (bkg fee). Grp Sales 930 6123 Mon-Fri 8 Wed 3. Sat 5.15 & 8.30 THE THEATRE OF COMEDY CO's lavish new production TOM CONTI in AN ITALIAN STRAW HAT by Eugene Labiche with CLIVE DUNN and STRATFORD JOHNS

ST MARTIN'S 01-836 1443. Special CC No. 379 6433. Evgs 8.0 Tues 2.45, Sat 5.0 and 8.0 AGATHA CHRISTIE'S THE MOUSETRAP

STRAND 836 2660 CC 836 4143/5190, 741 9999. First Call 24 Hr 7 Day cc 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Grp Sales 930 6123 CABARET "The sharpest, most sophisticated, most rhythmic musical now running in the West End" Std Starring WAYNE SLEEP Directed & Choreographed by Gillian Lynne Mon-Fri 7.45, Mat Wed 3.00 Sat 4.30 & 8.15 OAP REDUCED PRICES MATS. BOOKING NOW UP TO APRIL '87 Spec perf New Year's Eve 7pm

STRATFORD UPON AVON (0789) 295623. ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY at RST. Winter's Tale Tonight 7.30, Tomor 1.30. Richard II Thurs, Fri 7.30. Dream Sat 1.30. Macbeth Sat 7.30. Swan Theatre, Every Man Today 1.30. Kinsmen Tonight 7.30, Fair Maid Tomor, Fri, Sat 7.30, Rover Sat 1.30.

THEATRE OF COMEDY COMPANY "The very best of Britain's comic talent" Daily Mail See separate entries under: CRITERION THEATRE SHAFTESBURY THEATRE OF COMEDY

VAUDEVILLE Box Office & CC. 836 9987/5645 First call CC. 24 hrs 240 7200 (bkg fee) Ticketmaster 379 6433 (bkg fee). Evgs 8.0, Mats Wed 2.30, Sat 5.0, 8.30. JULIA McKENZIE BEST ACTRESS OF THE YEAR Standard Drama Award MARTIN JARVIS PETER BLYTHE JOSEPHINE TEWSON in ALAN AYCKBOURN'S New Play WOMAN IN MIND "THIS MUST BE THE FUNNIEST PLAY IN LONDON, IT IS ALSO THE MOST DISTURBING" S Tel "ALAN AYCKBOURN IS WRITING AT HIS BEST" S.Times

VICTORIA PALACE 01-834 1317 Eves 7.30 Mats Wed & Sat 2.45 EXTRA XMAS MATINEES January 1 & 2 24hr 7 day cc bkgs (no extra charge) on FIRST CALL 240 7200 "A NIGHT OF SHEER SONG & DANCE MAGIC" Wkly News CHARLIE GIRL ONLY 2 WEEKS LEFT TO SEE THIS FABULOUS CAST. LAST PERF JAN 10 PAUL NICHOLAS CYD CHARISSE DORA BRYAN NICHOLAS PARSONS MARK WYNTER in CHARLIE GIRL GROUP SALES 01 930 6123 BIG PARTY DISCOUNTS Also book. Ticketmaster 379 6433 or any W H Smith Travel Branch

VICTORIA PALACE Book now through First Call exclusively 01 240 7200 24hr 7 day TREVOR EVE STEPHEN REA NATASHA RICHARDSON ANGELA RICHARDS HIGH SOCIETY Directed by Richard Eyre Prevs Feb 13 1st Night Feb 25 Mon-Fri 7.45 Wed Mat 3 Sat 4.45 & 8.15. Gp Sales 930 6123

WESTMINSTER 01 834 0283/4 cc 834 0048. cc Ticketmaster 379 6433. Mon-Sat 3.00 & 6.30 (Dec 31 at 3.00 only) 3rd Magical Season THE LION, THE WITCH & THE WARDROBE by C.S. Lewis

WHITEHALL off Trafalgar Sq 01 930 7765/ 839 4455 CC 01 379 6565/379 6433. 741 9999. Grp sales 930 6123/836 3962 JULIE WALTERS GERALDINE JAMES SHEILA REID JOHN GORDON SINCLAIR The Award Winning Comedy WHEN I WAS A GIRL I USED TO SCREAM & SHOUT by Sharman Macdonald Directed by Simon Stokes "ONE OF THE FUNNIEST PLAYS OF RECENT YEARS" Obs Eves 8. Wed mat 3. Sats 5.30 & 8.30

WYNDHAM'S S 836 3028 cc 379 6565/Ticketmaster 379 6433/1st Call 24hr 7 days 240 7200/741 9999/Grp Sales 930 6123/836 3962. Eves 7.30. Sat mats 3 For a limited season "A performance unparalleled in the West End" Independent. VANESSA REDGRAVE TOM WILKINSON in The Young Vic production of GHOSTS By Henrik Ibsen Directed by David Thacker "BRILLIANT PRODUCTION. DON'T MISS" City Limits

ART GALLERIES

BARBICAN ART GALLERY, Barbican Centre. EC2. 01-638 4141. Until 4 Jan: David Roberts (1796-1864): paintings of Europe & the Near East PLUS Lion Rugs by nomadic Fars tribeswomen. Tues - Sat 10-6.45, Sun & B Hols 12-5.45 Closed Mondays. (Open 1 Jan 12-5.45) Adm £2 & £1.

CINEMAS

CAMDEN PLAZA opp Camden Town Tube 485 2443. DAVID BOWIE in LABYRINTH (U) film at 2.00 4.10 6.20 8.35 Reduced tickets for children.

CHELSEA CINEMA Kings Road SW3 351 3742 MEN (15) Film at 2.25 4.30 6.40 8.55. ENDS Thurs STARTS Fri 2 Jan Chabrol's INSPECTUER LAVARDIN (15)

CURZON MAYFAIR Curzon St 499 3737. Claude Lanzmann's SHOAH (PG) Part 1 Tues & Thurs 5.45 Sats 11.30am & 5.45 Part 2 Mon, Wed & Fri 5.45 Sundays Part 1 at 11.30am Part 2 at 5.45 "Totally absorbing...see the film" Std. Ends Jan 8

CURZON WEST END Shaftesbury Avenue W1 439 4805 Maggie Smith, Denholm Elliott, Judi Dench in A ROOM WITH A VIEW (PG). Film at 1.30 (Not Sun), 3.45, 6.10 & 8.40. "A film as near to perfection as it's possible to conceive" Alexander Walker, Std.

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 5252 (Enq)/930 7615 (24 hr Access/ Visa/ AmEx Bookings) CROCODILE DUNDEE (15) in Dolby Stereo. Sep progs Daily 1.10 3.40 6.15 8.50. Late Night Show Nightly 11.45pm. All progs bookable in advance. Extra Late Show Ton't 2.30am

LUMIERE CINEMA St Martin's Lane WC2 379 3014/ 836 0691 'ROUND MIDNIGHT (15) Film at 1.00 3.30 6.00 8.35. No performance at 8.35pm. Today only

MINEMA 45 KNIGHTSBRIDGE 235 4225 A ROOM WITH A VIEW (PG) Daily 2.30 4.45 7.00 9.15 Seats bookable in advance for 7.00 & 9.15 ONLY Cinema closed 31 DEC & 1 JAN

ODEON HAYMARKET (839 7697) MONA LISA (18) Sep progs Daily 2.15 6.00 8.40. All seats bookable in advance. Access and Visa telephone bookings welcome

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE (930 6111) Info 930 4250 / 4259 LABYRINTH (U) Sep progs Doors open Daily 2.15 5.15 8.15 All progs bookable in advance Credit Card Hot Line (Access/ Visa/ AmEx) 930 3232/ 839 1929 24 hour service £2.50 seats available Monday all perfs

ODEON MARBLE ARCH (723 2011) Walt Disney Pictures Presents BASIL THE GREAT MOUSE DETECTIVE (U) Sep progs Doors open Daily 2.45 5.15 7.45 Reduced prices for OAP's, UB40 holders, Student card holders, Under 16's.

RENOIR opp. Russell Sq. Tube 837 8402 (1) FANNY & ALEXANDER (15) Film at 3.15 7.15 (2) ROSA LUXEMBURG (PG) Film at 1.00 3.30 6.00 8.35

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WEDNESDAY PAGE

Safer sex, couple power and bosoms

I get quite weak whenever I walk by a newsagent's and this week was no exception. It started when I noticed an article titled "Smart girls carry condoms" on the cover of January's *Cosmopolitan* magazine. Next thing I knew, I had this great plastic sackful of women's magazines, all full of predictions about female behaviour in 1987.

I don't want to rattle on with sociological clap-trap about why I purchased *Elle* and *Options* when I would have reached for them under the hairdryer in any case, but in truth I was professionally curious about what the mags had to say. It's a journalistic convention that the January issue of a magazine sums up received wisdom.

Most of the magazine articles are about sexual and human relationships. A universal theme seems to be that the men and women of 1987 will drastically alter their sexual behaviour to cope with the spectre of Aids. The sensible woman will have neat little packets of protective condoms in her handbag just in case she has an attack of casual sex but more likely we will all "redefine" our sexual needs.

Redefining sexual needs is a euphemism for having fewer of them. To help us during this period of austerity we have a new jargon. We aren't really having less sex, we are having less "penetrative" *sex*. Women are rediscovering a sexual emphasis on "communicating, kissing, touching, talking".

It all sounds very healthy, and *anything that combats the spread* of Aids must win the support of us all, but I can't help feeling just a teeny bit sceptical. First, I don't believe that the threat of a terminal disease has much effect on random sexual encounters. After all, it wasn't until 1909 that Salvarsan was discovered as a treatment for syphilis. For most of human history people have known that sexual intercourse can spread a fatal disease but sexual activity has maintained an unshakable popularity.

As for women rediscovering relationships without penetrative sex, well, I have always thought that compared with men, women

Paula Youens



more often preferred emotional content in their sexual relationships and now they have a good hygienic excuse for demanding it.

The magazines seem split on whether the 1987 woman will live alone or be married, but whichever she does there are new phrases to describe its joys. The single woman will be glad to know that "the tyranny of the couple" has been replaced by "the positive single".

Positive single women enjoy eating at home at peculiar hours *and making a mess with news*papers and crumbs. They "wear their selfishness on their sleeves with pride" explains one article, which does not sound like a great leap forward for our side.

The magazines claim that women have not been very good in the past at being selfish and they must improve this lack. Of course, I'm no Margaret Mead, but I *always thought that men and* women had a similar capacity for selfishness. Biologically speaking, one assumes that women, being the physically weaker sex with the responsibility of breeding and nurturing, tended to have a greater capacity for selfishness in order to protect their young.

There is good news for those of us who are married. We may not have the selfish ecstasy of a positive single but we can have "couplepower". According to one magazine, "couplepower stems from a confidence that, whatever success your partner achieves, they will love you just as deeply should you fail dismally". In bed, making a soufflé or in the boardroom, one assumes. It is nice to see marriage celebrated again for the *support it gives each partner in* their chosen field, but one can't help wondering how often we have to rediscover this particular wheel.

Quite often, I fear. Over at *Cosmopolitan*, the magazine is grappling with the pain of unrequited one-night stands. "He tells you he's had the best night of his life and he's mad about you" the article reads, "but a week later you're still pretending not to listen for the phone." That does sound like a nasty way to behave and so I put it to a single chap I know. He was quite taken aback. He thought that it simply went to show that men still had very good manners. "After all," he said, "what are we supposed to do? Tell the woman that she is mediocre?"

According to the magazine, the solution for the 1987 woman who is wounded by a hit-and-run one-nighter is to realize that men who behave this way are deeply insecure, have a highly narcissistic, personality and may also have low *self-esteem. I think the solution* may be not to go to bed with chaps you don't know well, but that solution is implicit I expect in the new non-penetrative sex.

Finally, the word is quite definite that the 1987 woman will sport a bosom. Actually, I never realized that bosoms were out and I don't think most men did either. Breasts, being a secondary sexual characteristic, were developed by Mother Nature to excite men and keep females attractive to them all year around. Women are fertile all year, which means that unlike most animals we don't have to *sniff each other to see when the* female is in a state of oestrus. This may have more to do with the eternal appeal of breasts than the *whims of fashion designers.*

Still, the breast as an object of attraction is once more news to the women's magazines. Perhaps it is because in this century we have discovered so many new things, from moon travel to heart transplants, that we feel obliged to see ancient things as if they were new discoveries. But sex and human relationships have been with us for a very long time and while what the ancients knew about medicine may be irrelevant to modern medicine, what they knew about love is not. If we really want to understand the 1987 woman, perhaps it is to Ovid and Petrarch that we should turn.

Barbara Amiel

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Alice goes to the land of Buddha

A little-known Japanese Buddhist sect has already attracted 3,000 members. Sean Macaulay talks to some of the converts who are staging their own adaptation of Alice in Wonderland



Nirvana in Wonderland: (from left) Sid Haywoode, Nancy Wood and director Sue Thornton, in rehearsal for *Alice!*

A century ago this Christmas Lewis Carroll's *Alice in Wonderland* made its stage *debut. While the Lyric The*atre in Hammersmith is now staging John Wells's more faithful adaptation of the play, over at The Hammersmith Odeon the Nichiren Shoshu of the United Kingdom are *about to stage their own* special adaptation.

The NSUK is the English branch of a Japanese Buddhist sect which promises its converts their hearts' desires in return for repeating the words *nam-myoho-renge-kyo* over and over again. (Strictly translated the words mean devotion, mystic-law, lotus flower, *teachings.*)

Their version of *Alice in Wonderland* is simply called *Alice!* It features a punk heroine and songs, written by NSUK members, with titles like "Dare To Believe" (sung by the White Rabbit), "Relax" (sung by the Mushroom, and Flower Chorus) and "Apathy Rap" (sung by the sect's Apathy Rap Dancers).

Richard Causton, chairman of NSUK, says: *"Alice!* is the product of our members' faith, their belief in the future and the richness of the human spirit."

Although based on the 13th century teachings of Nichiren Daishonin, the Nichiren Shoshu sect was not introduced into this country until 1964. The person responsible for this has the unlikely name of Mrs Lynch, a Japanese who met and married an English postal worker in Yokohama Bay before returning with him to spread the word.

Today, the NSUK boasts over 3,000 members and 130 branches. The sect differs from other Buddhist groups in that its members do not wear special garb or adhere to rules and rituals apart from chanting and reading from the teachings of Buddha.

Sue Thornton, the director of *Alice!*, was an early convert. Her interest in Buddhism began after her plans to marry a young Jewish man were dashed by his disapproving parents.

"Even after a two-week fling in Morocco I still felt terribly disillusioned. A friend was trying to get me interested in Buddhism but I only got as far as secretly chanting in my car.

"Then two weeks later, completely out of the blue, I landed this really incredible job — totally unapplied for — as production assistant on a new Diane Cilento play being directed by Sean Connery."

Initially she was reluctant to *believe that the chanting was* responsible for her change of fortune. Her suspicions were confirmed when the play *I'd Seen You Cut Lemons* folded after a less than fruitful run. But her friend was undeterred, and tricked her into going to a communal chanting session by pretending they were off to a party.

"After asking all these questions I suddenly realized that my beliefs were really similar to their beliefs, we both wanted the same things. It was like a magnet, I was just drawn in."

'It was like a magnet, I was just drawn in'

Since then she has successfully combined her career with being a single mother (her six-year-old son is quite happy to chant along) and at present heads the stage management course at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art.

Like her fellow converts, she now attributes her success to the chanting. "I thought I wouldn't get the job but my friends encouraged me and I chanted very hard for it."

The star of the show, American actress Nancy Wood, became interested in the sect four-and-a-half years ago while working on the film of *the Pirates of Penzance.* "At the time I was suffering from insomnia, working crazy hours, totally inhibited, thinking and worrying too much." She was so shy that her father would say to her: "Nancy, do me a favour. Say hello to people when you meet them."

Like Sue Thornton, she began chanting on her own in her car. After two weeks, she says, the results began to show. Set technicians began asking: "Why are you smiling so much? What have you been drinking?" After becoming familiar with the sect's philosophy she became convinced of its benefits. "It's an outward chant — your eyes, your senses are open and you're tapping the potential within you. It's hard to explain it though, it's a mysterious process."

Another of the show's players who is convinced of the beneficial effects of chanting is Sid Haywoode, a 25-year-old singer, who was once a humble member of the *Top of the Pops' dance troupe*, "Zoo". After becoming a Buddhist she had a top-ten hit with "Roses" and now has a three-year contract with CBS.

Sid, who was converted 18 months ago, says: "The last thing I felt I needed at the time was any transcendental stuff. Also being black and Jewish, it was quite a leap."

*Sid attended her first meet*ing on the advice of her make-up artist while her flatmate, a male model, was away. When he returned, she says she resorted to chanting quietly in the bathroom. But she says that after it began to pay its promised dividends, she became *much more open about* her new religion. Today, even Sid's sceptical flatmate has joined the bandwagon.

Buddhism is a proselytising religion and members of the NSUK must encourage others *to join, with targets set every* year for new recruits. But Sid says she doesn't need to preach. "People are always coming up to me and asking how they can get involved."

'You're tapping the potential within you'

Working on the publicity for the show, as well as NSUK's other activities, is public relations power-house Lynne Franks. Her chanting sessions are now one of the unofficial highlights of London Fashion Week which she organizes twice a year.

Lynne, too, is a great believer in the benefits. "My life is more centred now as I have a real direction and purpose. I used to suffer from the John McEnroe syndrome, very aggressive, but now I'm much *more considerate.*"

One of her companions on the NSUK's public relations committee is the 36-year-old Italian, Connie Fillipello, who is now a publicity agent for celebrities like George Michael, John Hurt and Terence Stamp.

At 28, confused and fed up with being a dancer, Connie noticed that a friend seemed to be rejuvenated by her involvement with this particular kind of Buddhism. "It was so simple — by praising life, it's returned. Chanting is life, by chanting you tap that life force within you." Connie's mother, a Catholic, was aghast when she heard the news. But Connie's younger brother Sammy is now also a Buddhist and her mother has accepted it.

Connie says: "When you become a Buddhist you realize that Christ and so on is too complicated. You don't need it. Life, the potential of life, is enough. And through Buddhism you realize it."

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Alice! is at the Hammersmith Odeon on January 17 and 18 (01-748 4081). Proceeds go to charity.

BRIEFLY

A round-up of news, views and information

School for skill

The dull-sounding Industrial Society's Pepperell Unit is actually very exciting news for women eager to improve their skills in the workplace. Between now and June, they *are planning a series of* short courses and one-day workshops such as "Dealing with People Effectively" and "New Technology for Women". Applicants may either be sponsored by their company or attend as individuals (at a reduced rate). For full details, contact The Pepperell Unit, 48 Bryanston Square, London *W1H 7LN.*

Hobby hols

If you've vowed to master a computer, take up hang-gliding or learn lacemaking in 1987, *a holiday is the perfect* way to do it. The English Tourist Board's 1987 Activity and Hobby Holidays book (£2.25 from bookshops and selected Tourist Information Centres) lists many organized craft and sport breaks. Topics range from gardening to hot-air ballooning.

Wise waists

***Women are increasingly in*volved in business lunches but are rarely keen to indulge in three-course feasts washed down with brandy. Wheeler's restaurants (which can now be found in most corners of the country) have made a sensible New Year's resolution — to offer a set lunch menu for £12.50, with lighter food and infinitely more manageable portions, this allowing female executives to enjoy the ambience without fretting about either the size of the bill or their waistline.**

Knit picking

Keen knitters have known about London's Ries Wools for years. But their unbeatable selection of designer knitting books, glorious yarns and kits has meant a pilgrimage to Holborn — until now. Knitz is Ries's new newsletter, which offers out-of-towners publications and wools by post. Ries will also dispatch the newest knitting magazines, sometimes not available nationwide, as soon as they are published. *For the unhandy who love* hand-knits, Ries also offers a knitting service to make up any sweater for £39.50, plus the cost of the wool. Dial Ries By-Mail's 24-hour telephone number, 01-242 7721, for your free copy.

Low liquid

"You are what you drink" doesn't have quite the same ring to it — but if Coca Cola have their way, it will soon be true. Ever-conscious of the increasing focus on health and low-fat diets, with the *shift away from dairy* consumption, a new version of their low-calorie brand Tab is being test-marketed in the US. It has added calcium — a mineral in which many women are deficient and a lack of which can lead to osteoporosis. But it probably still tastes terrible on mnesli.

Quote me...



"Before my book there was only the child-bearing role, or the career woman who *didn't marry. Men have the* jobs and women serve them. Women in Africa were worse off than Negro slaves." Betty Friedan, author of *The Feminine Mystique.*

Back rest

Because women carry small children, heavy shopping or sit in sedentary jobs for hours on end, they are especialy prone to backache. The Teleos Clinic (9 Cavendish Square, London W1M 9DD) creates individually-tailored lower back supports to align *your spine. Appointments can* be made on 01-637 3088.

Josephine Fairley

TALKBACK

From Karen Robinson, Worcester Court, Worcester Buildings, Bath.

On the question of breast-feeding in public (Wednesday Page, December 17) might I ask which spectacle Barbara Amiel finds most "tasteful and decorous" — an infant bawling its head off with hunger in a public place (to *the infinite* annoyance of everyone) or a mother discreetly feeding the child?

The hunger of a tiny infant is no respecter of *time or* place, Ms Amiel. The suggestion that this is unreasonable and ought not to be tolerated is absolute humbug.

However, if it's taste and decorum which is to take precedence, might I suggest that we abandon not merely breast-feeding, but having babies altogether? Then we *could all settle down to our* rounds of shopping, dinner parties and visiting stately homes until we became extinct. But with what taste and decorum would we do it!

From Louise Graham, Lansdowne Road, London W11.

Many adults have psychological problems which can be *traced back to* being left alone as babies to scream for hours while waiting for the "four-hourly" formula feed from an unwelcoming bottle. *Many* more suffer from physical diseases which could have been prevented if they had been breast-fed.

While there are women who feel guilty because they were too selfish to devote time and energy to breast-feeding their babies, and others who are jealous because they are *unable to* bear children, breast-feeding mothers will continue to get a hostile reception.

From Edna Ashton, Warton Street, Lytham, Lancs.

As a mother who has breast-fed nine children for at least six months for each baby I have never found it necessary to do so in public.

From Janet Dent, Featherston Road, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield.

I used to live in Zambia where breast-feeding in public is completely acceptable and taken for granted. The only time I saw any reaction to public breast-feeding was in a café, *when a mother paused* for a moment, stuck her nipple in the sugar bowl, then put it in her baby's mouth. A nice little treat for baby, but it did cause a few open mouths among the other diners.


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Surviving joyless January

Feeling jaded after the festive season? Here are some tips



I'm starting a campaign for a decimalization of the calendar. Ten months instead of the traditional 12 would be more than adequate and the major advantage is that, with one stroke, we could abolish January.

We could also get rid of whichever month we next like least, but that's a detail. Joyless January, slap bang next to wonderful December, is the real target. Every year it catches us at our worst, while it is meant to be a new beginning, a fresh look for one's life.

Yet how are we prepared to face it? Half a stone fatter since pagan yule, with a liverish complexion like withered putty and an overdraft which allows the bank manager to snatch a week in Madeira. And that's only our children.

We adults are in it far more deeply than that. We are depressed. We crowd out doctors' surgeries in the vain hope of giving the GPs flu. Alas, some of us will bump up the obit columns in our local papers now, the peak time for geriatric deaths.

My message is this: don't give in. Tackle January before it gets you. Here's how:

● Ignore such notions that tempt you to go the other half of the hog you went at Christmas. Drink January away? Yes, but spend all February like a ghost, re*arranging the drinks cupboard* into a medicine chest every evening.

● Cut up your cash card. Buy now and you'll later only be able to shell out for very little Easter eggs for the family.

● Sleep it away. This is easily the best solution during the first week or so while your body is on its post-festive metabolic nose-dive.

● Be logical. Be analytical. Ask yourself, what's so tedious about these 31 days dedicated to Janus? Well, *for a start* there's still no sunshine. So while your best friend goes skiing in France for two weeks steal a march on her by booking a fortnight's sun bed sessions.

● If your good looks have vanished, take a trip to one of those store counters where the assistants sport lip gloss you can see your face in. Be noble as you reflect that you are giving them real pleasure in raw working material. Try their cell renewal therapy at five drops a night and a bottle of anything containing collagen or elastin.

● Buy a track suit. You don't have to do more than run up and downstairs in it if you're scared of showing the world how your bottom has dropped to keep company with your face.

● Finally, if the parties have all ended and your social life's gone back to zero why not resurrect the old idea of a Twelfth Night party? Samuel Pepys was always late to bed on this night of the year while he and his family, servants *and friends joined in the fun.*

Twelfth Night is remembered in our homes these days only for the frantic bad-tempered clear-out of festive gear before we tempt fate and bad luck by carrying on Christmas for too long.

Who cares if we leave the mistletoe where it is, the cracker ends still stuffed down the sofa and the tree listing gently in the corner? Can anything worse really happen, that hasn't already, once January tightens its grip?

Vivien Tomlinson

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Oxford's choice

Who will succeed the Earl of Stockton as Chancellor of Oxford University – a post he filled from 1961? The office usually goes to an Oxonian elder statesman, but today's political world offers few suitable candidates. Lords Hailsham and Home are too old, while Ted Heath is too unpopular. As for Mrs Thatcher, Oxford even refused to give her an honorary doctorate, so she is likely to be passed over. Roy Jenkins is a possible front-runner, and would dearly love the job, but arouses scant enthusiasm among the Tory establishment. Among non-political candidates, Lord Scarman is a contender. The mantle could even fall on a distinguished academic, and the university net could be widened to include non-Oxford men; Lord Carrington and James Callaghan, for example. However there is no recent precedent. The last such appointee was the Duke of Wellington.

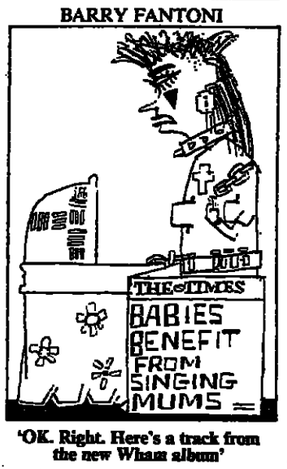
Supramac

It is of course more than 20 years since Harold Macmillan had the constitutional right to counsel the Queen, but one piece of advice from those days was clearly intended to be heard from beyond the grave. Just before his retirement in 1963 he sent the Palace a delicate reminder that on the death of his life-long hero, Disraeli, Queen Victoria erected a memorial at Hughenden to that statesman's "dear and honoured memory", from "his grateful sovereign and friend". There was a nice old Norman church in Horsted Keynes, Sussex, mused Supermac, adding: "There would be room on the wall, when the time comes . . ." As a further reminder, Macmillan quoted the letter in his memoirs. Some embarrassingly fulsome endearments passed between Disraeli and his Queen, but one suspects that he would have drawn the line at soliciting such a testimonial.

Macmodest

When Macmillan became prime minister in 1957, his appointment took second place on the front page of his local paper in Sussex to a report of a Brighton and Hove Albion football match. He used to keep the cutting on his desk at No 10 in order, as he said, to prevent himself from indulging the impulse towards self-importance.

BARRY FANTONI



'OK. Right. Here's a track from the new Wham album'

Discord

Jazz pianist Stan Tracey celebrated his 60th birthday yesterday wondering if private sponsorship is quite the answer to arts-funding that the government sometimes suggests. He spent four months composing an hour-long-work, *Genesis*, but now Peter Aldrich, his sponsor for an album and a ten-city tour in March, has pulled out after contributing only £2,000. Aldrich's management consultant, Jim Stansbie, confessed yesterday that the project had run out of control. "If anyone is to blame it is me. But it is also an indictment of the whole jazz world. No one understands anything about making money from this music." The disappointed Tracey plans to dig into his own pocket to ensure that the recording is made and is looking for another tour sponsor.

Seeing believing

The long love affair between the French and their furniture seems to be clouding their judgement. A reader tells me of a recent visit to the French consulate in Kensington where, with time on his hands, his eye was drawn to a list of those exempt from having to obtain a visa to enter France – among them nationals of EEC nations, Switzerland, Lichtenstein, and the Holy Seat.

Royal retreat

Foreign monarchs are thin on the ground these days, and royal residences in Britain even thinner. But for social climbers seeking vicarious glamour I have news of one on the market for a trifling £110,000. It is a modern, detached house in Marston Road, Sherborne, and was the home, during his spell at Sherborne School, of Prince Makhosetive of Swaziland, installed in April as King Mswati III. Regrettably it has no African features, and the only hint that it was the home of someone special is the sophisticated security system (local gossip of bulletproof windows is somewhat exaggerated). Clearly it could not have been kept on as a *pied-à-terre*; it has only four bedrooms, and if Mswati runs true to family form his number of wives will soon run into three figures.

PHS

The many faces of Harold Macmillan: Roy Jenkins charts the underestimated achievements and Norman Gash (below) assesses his legacy to the Tory party

How should we rate him?

Of the 49 prime ministers in the series which began with Walpole, Harold Macmillan was the longest-lived. Yet in a remarkably durable occupational group (79 has been the average age of those dying this century) he wins by only a short head from Churchill, who had Gladstone only a nose behind.

What is remarkable about Macmillan's very long life is that nearly the whole of it was required to make his reputation. Churchill's fame would have lost nothing by having 10 years cut off, and might even have gained by losing 20. Gladstone's could have done without his last 12 years, Lloyd George's the last 20, Asquith's and Baldwin's the last 10, Eden's at least the last 20, and Rosebery's (a rather extreme example) the last 36. But Macmillan required nearly all the long years of his retirement for the development of the patina of his reputation. Had he died in 1963, when illness drove him out of office, his place in public esteem would no doubt have recovered somewhat from the low point which it then occupied, but would have lacked the essential appurtenances of venerable sagacity and elderly wit.

An important factor in the brilliance of Macmillan's afterglow was that he gave every sign of greatly enjoying being an old man. I do not think that Churchill did, and Gladstone referred with distaste to "the gradual closing of the doors of the senses". But Macmillan, while no doubt he felt acutely the inability to read in his last years, found compensation in the aura of age: in, for example, the suspense inevitably created by audiences waiting to see whether he could mount very slowly to his rostrum (particularly in the Sheldonian Theatre in Oxford at one of his virtuoso performances as Chancellor of the University), and whether he could remember or improvise his lines when he got there. His hooded eyes added to the mordancy of his wit, his shuffling gait (which he had adopted many decades ago, almost before it was necessary) to the authority of his experience.

In his earlier years, by contrast, he was probably under-esteemed. The friends of his youth, he frequently stated, were nearly all killed in the First World War. "It was a city of ghosts", I remember him dramatically saying about 1919 Oxford. Among those who survived, he was rather friendless. He was an MP at 30 and as a young and early middle-aged politician he behaved with outstanding political bravery, renouncing the whip and speaking for anti-government candidates at Munich-time by-elections. But he was certainly not a nodal figure among anti-appeasement Conservatives, and even more certainly was not regarded as a witty and sparkling companion. "Harold can be counted on, but don't let's have him to dinner because he is rather a bore", was what one Edenite MP later told me about his position in those days.



Evening Standard

In 1939, at the age of 45 and with a briefly broken 15 years in the Commons behind him, he was miles from the most junior of offices. Even when the balance of power in the Conservative Party shifted a year later, he was far from bounding forward. His years as Minister Resident first in North Africa and then in Italy amounted to a considerable public service (despite recent calumnies) and produced his best book, but they hardly made him central to the political process. By the last years of the war he was no more important a politician than Duff Cooper (four years his senior) and incomparably less so than Anthony Eden (three years his junior).

Losing his seat in 1945 might have been expected to bring a middle-rank political career to a middle-aged end. In fact it galvanized his party political commitment in a way electoral success had never done. Stockton, the scene of his defeat, was to retain its place in his nostalgia and (much later) achieve a new one on his escutcheon, but Bromley, its antithesis in almost every respect, was his realistic base for the future. Macmillan threw himself into opposition to the Attlee government with an apparent display of partisan relish. As a result he was a fairly automatic choice for the Cabinet when Churchill came back in 1951, but not in one of the highest offices.

He had, however, a job which was temporarily in a very active sector of the political battlefield, and he made the most of it. As Minister of Housing he built a lot of houses (and the first high-rise flats), and he exploited this success with a flamboyant showmanship which had not hitherto been seen to be part of his character.

None the less his political advancement was relatively slow-moving. He is the only prime minister of the past 100 years who reached the age of 60 (and after 30 years in the Commons) without occupying one of the great offices of state. That came only in 1955 when he became Foreign Secretary and then, eight months later, Chancellor of the Exchequer, but again for months (13) rather than years. He was at both the Foreign Office and the Treasury for too short a time to make much mark upon them. Had the government (and not just the prime minister) collapsed at the time of Suez, and Macmillan gone into retirement at the age of 63, he would have left less imprint than most politicians who have recently got near the top without wearing the crown – Bevin or Cripps, Butler or Macleod. This illustrates again his need for a long career.

However, far from Suez destroying him, it appeared to make him. This was strange, for his part in the events of those months was neither wise nor glorious, less so probably than his record in any other major conjucture of his life. He was rash before the battle and all for quick retreat when the guns (of Wall Street) started firing. Harold Wilson's jibe that he was "first in and first out" was fully justified. Yet when Eden resigned in January 1957 he romped into 10 Downing Street with the overwhelming support of his Cabinet colleagues, who had all been in the best position to observe these tergiversations.

Paradoxically, however, this destroys the view that Macmillan just slipped in at a lucky moment and would not have succeeded otherwise. Even without the Suez *débâcle* it is unlikely that Eden would have survived long enough as prime minister to enable a plausible successor other than Macmillan or Butler to emerge. And after the end of 1955 Macmillan would always have been preferred to Butler by the Conservative Party.

So Macmillan achieved his premiership, and with the clearance of the high but by no means impossible hurdle of the 1959 election, became one of the longest serving and more significant prime ministers of the century. As a peace-time head of government he is in a group with Asquith, Baldwin, Attlee and, of those whose term is complete, no one else. How he should be rated among this quartet is difficult at present to appraise, but it would not in my view be top. His government did not leave the imprint on the nation's affair of those of Asquith or Attlee; nor could it match them for strength of personnel. For much of the time his principal ministers were Selwyn Lloyd and Heathcote Amory.

Nevertheless the Macmillan government was not without its achievements: it picked Anglo-American relations up off the Suez floor and brought them to a high pitch of intimacy during the Kennedy presidency. It took the first, belated steps towards Britain's membership of the European Community. It carried through the major second phase of the ending of empire. It played a useful role on the world stage, giving fully adequate support to the United States at the time of the Berlin Wall and the Cuban missile crises, while constantly urging dialogue with Moscow, and helping to secure the nuclear test ban treaty. And it maintained full employment and low inflation at home, even if it missed the full European surge to prosperity.

Macmillan himself was very much the animator of all these different but consistently moderate policies, which he often executed behind a partisan façade and with an exhibitionist flourish. This dissimulation was more admired by Harold Wilson than by Hugh Gaitskell, who were his two principal opponents. The latter thought him tricky to the verge of dishonesty. In retrospect I think this was a superficial judgement. Macmillan often finessed, but underneath he was broadly and steadily true to a loose doctrine of expansionary economics, social emollience and liberal internationalism. There are many worse combinations.

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The enigma who strayed

There can be little disagreement that Harold Macmillan, with Baldwin, Churchill, and Margaret Thatcher, will rank as one of the outstanding leaders of the Conservative Party in this century – and there is not much time for a fifth to make his mark. His place in Conservative history will be more ambiguous.

In the 1950s he brought to the party all that Eden had been expected, and so signally failed, to bring: renewed impetus, new ideas, fresh faces, under a man with a record of success in high office, personal stature, and a certain elegance of style. Yet the leader who restored the party's morale after the Suez disaster and led it to the triumph of the 1959 general election, was also the leader whose misfortunes and misjudgements in his last two years of office ensured the failure of his personally chosen successor.

There was an even deeper paradox than this. Macmillan liked to think of himself as a radical Tory in the Disraeli tradition. It is a nostalgic phrase with little historical meaning, not least because Disraeli was not basically a radical. Peel and Mrs Thatcher, on the other hand, can justifiably be called radical Conservatives since they took drastic decisions in the long term interest of their party which were not very palatable at the time.

In his European and imperial policy Macmillan too was a radical statesman. He not only restored the Churchillian tradition of close co-operation with the USA after the Suez rift but began a new era of defence strategy based on nuclear deterrence and the American Polaris missile. His rapid liquidation of the old colonial empire in Africa between 1959 and 1963 created party unease but it took place relatively peacefully. The legacies of Empire – massive coloured immigration and the untested structure of the "new" Commonwealth – took longer to reveal themselves. Nevertheless, for a party which since Disraeli's time had prided itself on its imperial sentiment, the retreat from Empire went against its instincts, even if it was Iain Macleod as Colonial Secretary who took the brunt of unpopularity.

Macmillan's decision to apply for entry into the EEC was by contrast tardy and ineffective. For the principle of European union he could invoke the counsel of that great Victorian Lord Salisbury and the authority of Winston Churchill. Certainly the marginal loss of political control and constitutional sovereignty involved was not to the liking of all Conservatives; but, aided by the opposition of the Labour Party, Macmillan successfully wrote union with Europe into his party's future agenda. Only de Gaulle's vote in January 1963 denied him – more truly, perhaps merely postponed – an historic achievement.

On all these large issues Macmillan's quick mind and political courage led him to firm and momentous decisions. Significantly it was the problem of EEC membership, on which he had the longest time to reflect, that suffered most from procrastination and missed opportunities for which he was at least partly to blame. He was at his best dealing with affairs as they arose. For British parties, however, as for the British public, the ultimate test of leadership is home policy. It was here that Macmillan departed most widely from fundamental Conservative tradition: a curious circumstance which no ritual appeal by his supporters to the Disraelian legend can disguise.

Concern for the "condition of the people" is a Conservative tradition which goes back to the time of Lord Liverpool and Peel. It was reasserted by Disraeli and Lord Salisbury, formed part of Joseph Chamberlain's tariff reform programme, and helped to inspire Baldwin's New Conservatism of the 1920s. The real issue is how to translate that concern into policy within the framework of Conservative principles. In the prewar years Macmillan's advocacy, as an idealistic, slightly rebellious backbencher, of unorthodox ideas which his party chiefs had little difficulty in resisting, is reminiscent of Disraeli's group a century before of ardent young aristocrats with a social conscience. The parallel, however, is inexact. "Young England" sprang from Tory romanticism, not the Whig-Liberal-radicalism of their parliamentary opponents. In any event Disraeli dropped it as soon as he entered the more exciting world of real power.

The case of Macmillan offers significant contrasts. His recipe for the poverty and unemployment of the 1930s – control of economic strategy by the state, nationalization of key industries, a dash of Keynesian theory (spending one's way out of recession), and an element of social engineering (common schooling for all classes) – was, despite the promotion label of The Middle Way, closer to contemporary socialist policy than any recognizable Tory tradition. Had it not been for the war, as Clement Attlee reputedly said, Macmillan would have ended up in the Labour Party.



The complete aristocrat, but troubled always by what he had seen at Stockton-on-Tees in his early days as an MP

Whatever the chances were of that, he undoubtedly allowed these collectivist, *dirigiste* ideas to colour his outlook for the rest of his life. They made him an influential contributor to R.A. Butler's Industrial Charter in 1947 and a powerful defender of Butskellism in the 1950s. When in power himself from 1957 to 1963, he was a convinced (one is tempted to say doctrinaire) expansionist. Though the warning signals of inflation and financial instability had already appeared under Attlee, Churchill and Eden, Macmillan as prime minister retained the attitude which he had taken up in his political youth.

Historically, however, the tradition of the Conservative Party has been one of prudent national housekeeping. Macmillan was the first Conservative prime minister of whom it could be said that he got rid of two chancellors of the exchequer because they tried to put a brake on excessive public spending. Under him inflation became, so to speak, institutionalized as a method of paying for the growing demands of a socially conscious electorate. It is true that he saw the latent perils; but his tentative remedies, characteristically involving more planning and more controls, were as ineffective as his occasional warnings were unheeded or misinterpreted.

It is true also that his social policy was based on personal conviction; he never forgot the Stockton-on-Tees of the 1920s. Yet in the 1960s that policy had become dangerously facile: the line of least resistance and greatest electoral advantage. It led on to the disasters which overtook his successors in Downing Street and in the end provoked the emergence of a new radical Conservatism which rejected Butskellism and saw Macmillan's domestic policy as a Tory aberration.

In the history of Conservative thought and practice Macmillan is likely to remain an enigmatic figure. As a political virtuoso he has few rivals. In his astuteness and resilience, his studied nonchalance and careful cultivation of an impressive public image, and in the relentless ambition evident after 1945, he was the nearest approach to a second Disraeli that the party has seen. Yet there are important differences. Macmillan's style was aristocratic rather than exotic; he was less romantic, more ruthless (even Disraeli would have hesitated to get rid of half his Cabinet in one day), more practical, a better organizer and administrator. With greater opportunities in office (and no Gladstone to contend with), he showed himself the more complete politician. He was attractive, cultured and intelligent; yet somehow failed to convey the seriousness and integrity which one finds in Peel and Mrs Thatcher.

What appealed to him most perhaps was the practice rather than the principles of politics, the use of power rather than its purpose. In a previous existence one could imagine him as an adroit and subtle Highland chieftain, but hardly as a solid English country squire. Yet, if not a great conservative leader, he was a memorable leader of the Conservative Party.

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Andrew McEwen

Arms: hope amid the gloom

It is perhaps fortunate for world arms control prospects that the season of excess will soon be over. Many of those professionally engaged in negotiating a safer world have been enjoying an unfestive binge of pessimism which, like much else at this time of the year, has been overindulged. It owes more to the slough of Republican despond than to reality, but could turn the setbacks of 1986 into the stalemate of 1987 unless positive thinking resumes.

In the West, pessimism focuses on the calendar. The Reagan administration is running short of time to pull itself out of the Iran quagmire, negotiate a post-Reykjavik compromise with Gorbachov and persuade the Democrat-controlled Congress to accept it. A superpower agreement would be needed by summer 1988 to achieve ratification before electoral paralysis takes hold. Some well-placed experts go further, giving the New Hampshire primary, now only 13 months away, as Reagan's deadline before the lame-duck effect becomes mortal.

Soviet pessimism takes a different form. Their negotiators find it hard to distinguish between political fine-tuning and bad faith in Washington. They keep mentioning what they see as the untrue account of the Reykjavik near-agreement which Reagan gave on his return to Washington.

Reagan said he had been willing to accept elimination of all ballistic missiles over 10 years, while Gorbachov still maintains that all nuclear weapons are to go. The West recognized that as part of the ordinary diet of politics – adjustment in response to pressure. Reagan simply toned down what both supporters and opponents said was a Utopian approach.

The effect on Gorbachov has been greatly underestimated in Washington. In his eyes Reagan's back-tracking reduced his credibility as leader of the western alliance. It was compounded by subsequent events at the Geneva arms talks, at the Reagan-Thatcher meeting at Camp David, and at December's North Atlantic Council meeting in Brussels.

A battery of side issues lends further weight to a gloomy forecast for 1987. Washington's unceremonious burial of the expired Salt-2 treaty, the updating by both sides of early warning systems with new phased-array radars in breach of the spirit (but not the letter) of the 1972 ABM treaty, Washington's failure to respond to Moscow's unilateral 16-month nuclear test ban, and Moscow's decision to abandon it after the next US nuclear test (scheduled for January 29) are all relevant.

Compelling though all this misery may appear, some people still take a positive approach. Among those who refuse to view 1987 as a lost year is David Owen, leader of the SDP. He believes that the Reagan administration could recover its authority and popularity through an arms control agreement, and should begin by seeking a bipartisan approach with the Democrats.

His analysis has much to commend it. There are plenty of foreign affairs precedents for a joint Democrat-Republican approach and it would overcome any Soviet tendency to wait for a new president. With the Democrats firmly in charge of the 100th congress, which begins on January 6, any treaty struck between the administration and the Kremlin could face ratification problems without such an approach.

The most influential Democrat on arms control is Senator Sam Nunn, chairman of the Senate armed services committee. Owen believes that Reagan should strike up a partnership with him as quickly as possible. The most serious Nunn-Reagan difference centres on the Strategic Defence Initiative, which Reagan views as sacrosanct. His refusal to countenance using it as an East-West bargaining chip contrasts with Nunn's more equivocal attitude.

A bipartisan approach would transform the prospects of the next Geneva arms talks, starting on January 13. As matters stand neither Max Kampelman, the US chief arms negotiator, nor Viktor Karpov, the senior Soviet negotiator, is likely to make concessions. But flexibility could be revived if both sides knew that there was nothing to be gained by waiting.

It can be argued that Reykjavik's failure was just as well and that events in 1987 could create a far sounder basis for arms control. Commendable though Gorbachov's ideas may be, they call for a breathtaking leap of trust. The coming year will test whether that leap is justified.

Around February 11 it could become clear how far Gorbachov's hinted new policy on Afghanistan will go. Quick agreement on a timetable for Soviet withdrawal at the UN-sponsored Geneva proximity talks between the governments of Afghanistan and Pakistan would boost western faith in Soviet intentions. Secondly, it will soon be seen whether Moscow is about to allow large numbers of Soviet Jews to depart.

The third and most important plank is progress on troop cuts. Crucial Nato meetings in Halifax and in Brussels, and a Warsaw Pact gathering in Budapest, showed that there is political will on both sides. The focus now moves to the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe at Vienna. A forum for talks leading to the withdrawal of up to one million troops between the Atlantic and the Urals should emerge from that conference. Gorbachov has said that this forum will not be stalemated by the verification issue, unlike the Vienna Mutual Balanced Force Reduction Talks. If the West receives signs of his sincerity it could afford to be less cautious on the nuclear front.

Taken as a whole, the prospects for 1987 look far from depressing.

***moreover* . . . Miles Kington**

Now check your questions

Here are the answers to our Christmas quiz.

Entertainment

1. Richard Ingrams has twice refused this title.
2. It was recorded by Myra Hindley with the Yorkshire Police Choir.
3. All are television personalities except Russell Harty.
4. The collected speeches of Robert Maxwell, which have been in the Bulgarian best-seller list since 1979.
5. It is the television programme which Terry Wogan does abroad every day that he is on holiday.
6. The technical name for Auberon Waugh's haircut.
7. The name of a new pop group formed by the remnants of the Somerset cricket team.
8. The amount of money spent by Bob Geldof trying to get back into the charts.
9. The sound of Colin McInnes turning in his grave.
10. The technical name for Robert Robinson's haircut.

Sport

1. A new county formed specially to provide a cricket team for Geoffrey Boycott and Ian Botham.
2. He was sold to Manchester United but lost in the post.
3. The first referee ever to be sent off in an FA Cup tie.
4. They are inflatable shoulders used in American football.
5. The last time Ivan Lendl smiled.
6. The point in a snooker game where all the TV viewers have fallen asleep.
7. They are inflatable salaries used in American football.
8. Ian Botham's moustache, for a fee of £5,000.
9. The annual cricket match between the Labour Party and Militant Tendency.
10. They are inflatable footballers used in American football.

Politics

1. All received money from Jeffrey Archer to keep quiet.
2. A mysterious hole in Michael Heseltine's flak jacket.
3. They all still believe that Francis Pym can become prime minister.
4. The date of Mrs Thatcher's official birthday.
5. A department of the Kremlin formed to counter the Liberal Party's defence policy.
6. The theory that President Reagan has been dead since 1981.
7. A type of paranoia found only among Tory MPs, consisting of an overwhelming desire to destroy BBC television and an equally strong desire to appear on it.
8. A department in the Kremlin to which Sir Michael Havers and Sir Robert Armstrong are directly responsible.
9. The technical name for Neil Kinnock's haircut.
10. Mrs Thatcher's real age.

Arts

1. All are owned by Peter Hall.
2. Only if Andrew Lloyd Webber's wife is given the main part.
3. In Jonathan Miller's new production, the title role is sung by a parrot.
4. A secret society dedicated to stamping out the Last Night of the Proms.
5. The amount of money received by BBC television travel programmes in 1986.
6. The technical name for Russell Harty's haircut.
7. A kind of film which produces an LP of the soundtrack music, even though nobody can remember any music in the film at all.
8. The only country in the world which has ever featured Paul Daniels on its postage stamps.
9. An Oscar award made to film stars who are too old to die.
10. Any record never held by Roy Castle.

Science and Travel

1. A reference to Fred Hoyle's theory that Aids may well have been brought from the future by an infected time traveller.
2. The Nobel Prize for Chiropody.
3. A new method of making anti-freeze for the wine trade.
4. A kind of tear duct found only in Labour politicians.
5. The offspring of the lobster and the quail, used for flavouring Harrods crisps.
6. It is the motorway service area most favoured by orchestral conductors.
7. He became the first man to go round the world without a camera.
8. Because of its uncanny resemblance to John Julius Norwich.
9. A method of preserving food discovered at Chernobyl this year.
10. A form of plastic which is indistinguishable from truffles.

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HAROLD MACMILLAN

Future generations are no more likely to think of Harold Macmillan as the Earl of Stockton than we think of Disraeli as the Earl of Beaconsfield. Their reputations outshine their titles. Both men combined the radical and the traditional in their politics and thus were able to persuade conservative parties to carry through far-reaching changes of policy at home and abroad.

Yet when he first became Prime Minister, the newspapers were instinctively inclined to write off his Prime Ministership in advance. They could hardly believe that Macmillan, with his patrician style anbd his often baroque oratory, was the man either to reunite the Tory Party which had been riven by internal conflict over the Suez fiasco, or to revive public support for the Conservatives.

That assessment was gravely false. Macmillan quickly showed himself to excel in the art of communication. Above all, he was the first Prime Minister to master television as a means of communicating with the masses. Here, as in his policy making, he showed that he had an instinctive understanding of what ordinary people thought and felt.

What is more, in the very different social climate of that time when class demarcations were still strongly discernible, the mass of the people were by no means disposed to spurn Macmillan for his patrician style, or for being unlike themselves. On the contrary, his confidence and self-assurance reassured them of his capacity to manage the nation's affairs.

Rebuilding national and party confidence, he led his party to a third successive victory in 1959, and presided over a period of rising prosperity for all classes. The extent to which today some of Mrs Thatcher's supporters (though not Mrs Thatcher herself) have blamed Macmillan personally for the inflation which followed his neo-Keynesian policies is almost as unfair as Macmillan's latter-day chiding of the Thatcher government for its denationalisation policies as selling the family silver, or his dissociation from the Government's resistance to the miners' strike.

Neither view makes the practical concession that things have changed. Macmillan seemed not to understand the difference between the miners' situation in the twenties and their union's attitude at the outset of the eighties. Equally the critics of his Prime Ministership tend to overlook the extent to which his economic policies were an almost automatic response to the climate of his time.

Macmillan was Prime Minister at a time when the smallest upward movement in the unemployment figures caused political consternation. Full employment was then regarded as something which governments could achieve by fiscal manipulation and thus as a principal obligation upon them. In addition, Macmillan was personally affected by his memories of high unemployment and lack of decent social protection in the thirties.

Though there was much of the histrionic in his nature, there is no doubt that his distress at the hardship of that period was deeply felt and coloured his approach as Prime Minister. His consequent wish that the broad mass of the people should have it as good as possible did much to promote social cohesion and to maintain the Conservatives as a popular party. Whiggish his manner might be, but his realisation that the Tories could only survive as a broad-based national party with working class support was solidly in the tradition of Disraeli who (as an 1883 leading article in *The Times* put it) "in the inarticulate mass of the English populace, discerned the Conservative working man as the sculptor perceives the angel prisoned in a block of marble."

As a politician who wanted above all to improve the condition of the people, Macmillan was the right man to lead the Tories mass post-war house-building programme. His heart was in it. In other ways too, he was in advance of his time. He sensed the wind of change in Africa before most politicians and went with it. He maintained the independent deterrent in difficult political conditions.

Firm for the Atlantic alliance, he was also a path-finder for British entry into the European Community, conditioning his party and the public gradually to accept what his successor, Mr Edward Heath, finally achieved. Above all, he deserves gratitude from people in and beyond this country for his part in the achievement of the test ban treaty.

The end of his Prime Ministership was bedevilled by political difficulties, and his retirement years by contention over the part he had played in the forced repatriation of the Cossacks to Russia when he was Head of the Allied Commission in Italy. On these matters, as on his government's economic performance, history will have to judge. But it is not necessary to await an historical judgment to say of him that he was a humane politician and Prime Minister, anxious to weld together both the national traditions to which he was devoted and the improvement of the condition of the people. He was at his best a great unifier, and that is no mean title.

TIME, PARLIAMENT, PLEASE

Licensing hours were first restricted during the First World War to deter industrial workers from spending time and money in the pubs – and thus to pave the way to victory. (Lloyd George even persuaded the King to go "dry" – to set an example which nobody, including Lloyd George, rushed to follow). Seventy years later the restrictions remain, though more relaxed, as a monument to the national fear of change.

But change must come, and there is a growing recognition that this is so. The issue now is not so much whether as when – and on how grand a scale. Those are the questions which one might hope to have answered when Mr Allan Stewart's private member's bill receives its second reading in the Commons next month.

Mr Stewart's bill would extend weekday opening hours from 10.30 am until 11.30pm in England and Wales, thereby stretching them at either end of the day and closing the afternoon gap. Publicans would not need to be open all that time, but they would need to apply annually for their licences to be renewed through the courts. To those seeking tidy – let alone total – reform, it therefore falls short of the mark. For that reason it has won the approval rather than the enthusiastic support of Whitehall, despite reports that Mrs Thatcher is in favour.

One reason for Government caution is an official preference for a root-and-branch job, which would, among other things, simplify the procedure for granting licences. Another reason no doubt is that Ministers, having burned their fingers over Sunday trading, are reluctant to risk them again before testing the parliamentary temperature.

Mr Stewart is lined up to be Downing Street's walking thermometer. If a Commons consensus emerges on January 30, the Government could take over his bill and present it as a popular reforming measure in its next manifesto. If on the other hand the anti-drink lobby in Westminster looks belligerent, Mr Stewart can be thrown to the wolves and his bill quietly forgotten.

Sound politics this may be, but also pusillanimous. There are a number of good reasons why the present irrational system should be changed – tourism being only one of them. With supermarkets selling liquor all day, it is hard to see how the present licensing hours keep people sober. Indeed, it may be preferable for people to drink under some sort of convivial scrutiny in a public bar, than miserably on their own at home.

The Government has a responsibility to those who live near pubs as well as to those who drink in them. Public houses should not become public nuisances. So it is understandable that Ministers should be reluctant to support an open-all-hours regime.

In Scotland, however, not dissimilar legislation was introduced ten years ago. And last December the Chief Inspector of Constabulary disclosed that cases of public drunkenness there had fallen by 8.5 per cent in 1985 to reach their lowest level for 30 years. This may not have been directly caused by the 1976 reform. Matters had been improving anyway and probably reflected a more fundamental shift in people's lifestyle. What is significant, however, is that the improvement was not reversed by reform. Indeed, further liberalization is now being considered.

For all that, any bill which seeks to change the habits of a lifetime is bound to be controversial. The main attraction of Mr Stewart's bill is that it is a working compromise which promises to lead the country forward at a broadly acceptable pace. Rather than meekly following, the Government should give it a helpful shove in the right direction.

JAPAN REARMS SLIGHTLY

Since the ratification of the Japanese-US Security Treaty in 1952, Japan has enjoyed the luxury of security at minimal cost. But it is a luxury that can no longer be reconciled with its new status as a major power with global economic and political interests.

It is now widely recognised that the US cannot be expected to shoulder indefinitely a disproportionate share of the cost of maintaining the security of the industrialised democracies. Consequently, yesterday's decision by the Japanese Cabinet to breach the one per cent of GNP ceiling on defence spending should be welcomed as a first step towards the assumption of its responsibilities.

The critics of this decision, both domestic and foreign, will denounce it as a dilution of Japan's Peace Constitution, and a dangerous precedent which could ultimately lead to the revival of "Japanese militarism." In fact, that is far removed from reality.

Under Article 9 of the Peace Constitution, Japan forever renounced war as a soverign right of state. But it retained the right of self-defence. Every Japanese political party, except the Japanese Communist Party, now acknowledges the legitimacy and constitutionality of the Self-Defence Forces (SDF).

Despite this acknowledgement, defence spending has been so low that the SDF has been left with obsolete equipment, insufficient levels of ammunition and an unconvincing capacity to defend Japan's air space and sea lanes. Moreover, during the past five years the Soviet Union has increased its deployment of intermediate nuclear forces in Soviet Asia, expanded its conventional capability and enhanced its Pacific naval presence.

The Japanese people have therefore been confronted with the need to abandon their self-imposed limit on defence spending. It has proved a source of great psychological discomfort. To his credit, Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone has laboured assiduously to prepare them for this long-overdue adjustment. He has also gone to considerable lengths to assuage the inevitable anxieties that increased Japanese defence spending has generated among Japan's regional neighbours. Fortunately, these efforts have not been undermined by his occasional rhetorical excesses.

Japan is now able to embark on the second year of a five year defence build-up which is widely acknowledged to be necessary and correct. At the end of the decade, Japan will be able to defend its own territory and air space from a small scale assault, and protect its sea lanes over a distance of 1,000 nautical miles.

The Japanese, however, still need time to become fully accustomed to their new defence responsibilities. Much of the progress of the past few years could be placed in jeopardy if the US, especially Congress, tries to exert pressure on Japan to accelerate increases in defence expenditure faster than the Japanese can realistically be expected to adjust to them. It is in the interests of all concerned that such a contingency be avoided.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ways to arrest fleet decline

From the President of the General Council of British Shipping

Sir, Public opinion is becoming increasingly aware of the danger to the country's strategic interests of continuing inaction by Government to strengthen the investment base of the British merchant marine. Next year's Finance Bill may be the last chance to do this before the next election.

An example may help to point to the decisive role Government can play, or refuse, in encouraging investment in ships by British companies.

Intra-European seaborne trade is still largely carried in European ships with European crews paid European wages. This is the market in which our still substantial fleet of coastal and short sea ships seeks its living and in all respects except capital costs it is fully competitive with the fleets of our European neighbours.

However, capital costs amount to 60 per cent of non-voyage costs of operating a new short sea vessel and these costs are largely under the control of Government through its fiscal and related policies. As matters stand, and since the 1984 Budget, the aids to investment offered by our European competitors are significantly better than our own. The results are becoming clear.

In recent years our short sea fleet has reduced sharply in size and increased in age whereas that of, say, our German competitors has not. Moreover, investment in ships for British registry is at an all-time low.

This is not the place for a detailed comparison of the fiscal regimes applicable to investment in the countries of the EEC. But a German owner contemplating investment knows that he will get a 40 per cent investment allowance in addition to the standard rate plus a 12½ per cent investment grant and the ability to place the proceeds of the sale of a ship into a tax-free reserve pending reinvestment. None of these advantages are available in the UK.

In significant areas of the international shipping industry the size and health of national fleets is at least as much a matter for national governments as it is for owners and seafarers.

Yours faithfully,
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December 19.

Heveningham fears

From Mr R. D. Bloomfield

Sir, A significant fact omitted from your report of December 16 is that when the Vanneck family trustees put Heveningham on the market in 1970, a campaign to save it from the risk of undesirable ownership, in which *The Times* played a leading part, caused the then Ministry of Housing and Local Government to step in and buy the house, the original furniture and the estate.

This great architectural masterpiece was thus, to quote the official guidebook of the time, "purchased for the nation by the Government". It was a disgraceful betrayal of the responsibility inherited by the Department of the Environment when, early in the life of the present Government, as an ill-contrived economy measure, Heveningham was put up for sale.

Clearly the proper course for the department to take now is to repent of its former philistinism and once more acquire Heveningham for the nation.

Yours faithfully,
R. D. BLOOMFIELD,
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December 17.

History and hope

From Mr Toby Horton

Sir, For Peter Ackroyd to have reviewed (December 18) the new folio edition of Macaulay's History was a positive step. It could also bring forward the day when Macaulay, rather than Marx, is seen as the seminal 19th-century thinker, whose work is taught in our schools.

The contrast is all too clear between Macaulay's optimism and Marx's pessimism, his generosity and Marx's poverty of spirit, and his essentially constructive, and Marx's destructive, nature.

The revival of interest in Macaulay is a sign of hope. When his spirit comes to imbue our schools as thoroughly as does Marx's now, then it can safely be said that all will be well once more with our country.

Yours faithfully,
TOBY HORTON,
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December 19.

Counting the pence

From Mrs Margaret Walley

Sir, It may reassure your readers to know that, on the night of December 22, at the time the news of the income tax problem of Lester Piggott was broadcast to the nation, my flagging energies were engaged in explaining to HM Inspector of Taxes, Cardiff, why my 99-year-old aunt's two half-yearly 43p interest payments on her unsaleable 3½ per cent British Transport stock had not been included in her income-tax returns.

Yours faithfully,
MARGARET WALLEY,
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Coulsdon, Surrey.
December 23.

Undue delays in planning process

From the President of the Royal Town Planning Institute

Sir, The article "A master plan for planning" by Geoffrey Rippon (December 22) deserves support for most of its proposals. Mr Rippon is right to say that planning inquiries into refusal of permission by local planning authorities are falling into disrepute and that law and procedure need drastic revision to remove delay. Fortunately the Department of the Environment recognises this and has taken some steps to improve the situation and is to be congratulated for so doing.

My Institute would support all but three of Mr Rippon's proposals. I do not accept there is a wide consensus to end all statutory development plans; indeed, my evidence is to the contrary and the development industry and the public seek certainty from the present statutory system.

The proposal that permission should be deemed to be granted if any applicant has not heard anything within 42 days from the local planning authority may appear superficially attractive; but it is likely to result in more refusals being issued towards the end of the 42-day period, with an increase in the number of planning appeals and a consequent delay to the applicant.

Thirdly, the planning tribunal suggestion to replace the inspectorate could lead to delays in the appeal system and bring greater uncertainties. The present improvements recently announced by the Department of the Environment in respect of appeal procedure suggest a better solution to this problem.

The proposition that the remedies have been analysed in detail over and over again and all that is necessary is the will to act is totally supported by the planning profession. The profession has a vested interest in ensuring that the system works without undue delay.

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr Sean O'Grady

Sir, Geoffrey Rippon states that there is a wide consensus to end all statutory plans. Yet the present Secretary of State for the Environment has just issued a consultation paper, "The Future of Development Plans", advocating mandatory statutory local plans to cover the whole country. Where is this consensus? Certainly not even within the Conservative Party.

Mr Rippon suggests that all planning applications should be determined within 42 days, irrespective of the circumstances. Yet one of the reasons for delay is the applicant's inability to provide the correct information to enable the local authority to make a sound decision. Sometimes this is unavoidable, especially where several parties are involved.

A further reason is that, as custodians of the environment on the local community's behalf, the planning authority has a duty to ensure the best possible scheme for a site. This may involve negotiation, and is often to the mutual benefit of the developer and the community in that it can avoid a refusal of a planning application.

A third reason for delay is the inordinate delay of the Department of the Environment in responding to consultations, especially where listed buildings are concerned.

Mr Rippon says that "computerization of the planning process is long overdue". My present employers introduced a computerized system four years ago, as did many other authorities. The effect on speeding up decisions has been negligible. It has merely cut out a few repetitive administration functions (with consequent loss of staff).

Finally Mr Rippon says that £42million per annum is raised through "charges for planning permission". He seems unaware that fees are charged for processing the application, whether permitted or refused.

Yours sincerely,
SEAN O'GRADY (Principal Planning Officer, Stratford-on-Avon District Council),
8 Oswald Road,
Leamington Spa, Warwickshire.
December 23.

From the Director of the British Road Federation

Sir, Geoffrey Rippon's proposals for improving our planning system make admirable reading. Widespread concern about the length of a number of major public inquiries highlights the tendency for these local inquiries to become a forum for debating, or even formulating, national policy. In the case of Sizewell this approach was encouraged by the Government, who surely should be placing such decision-making before Parliament.

The recent Government response to the House of Commons environment select committee report on planning was that

there may well be a case in which a major public inquiry is a perfectly reasonable instrument for inquiry into the policy background as well as the suitability of the particular site or sites.

It is a great shame that the Government was not prepared to support wholeheartedly the committee's recommendation that

as far as is practical, the questioning of national policy determined elsewhere should not be allowed to impinge upon public inquiries.

Yours faithfully,
PETER J. WITT, Director,
British Road Federation,
Cowdray House,
6 Portugal Street, WC2.
December 23.

Craft fellowship

From Mr Philip Venning

Sir, It is indeed true that craftsmen with the traditional skills used in historic buildings projects are not a dying breed ("Horizons", December 8). But there is an acute shortage of trained craftsmen with the wider knowledge and understanding of what they are doing that is needed to transform merely mechanically competent restoration into inspired workmanship.

Too many historic buildings have been damaged because the craftsmen involved have used technically acceptable repair methods which are dangerously unsuitable for the particular situation. For example, early stone carvings that should have been conserved have been replaced by crude and lifeless copies. Decorative plasterwork that should have been repaired has been stripped out, and imitated.

To meet this need, a group of major conservation bodies, including the National Trust, English Heritage, the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings and others, has just launched a new training programme. The William Morris Craft Fellowship will be awarded to three outstanding young craftsmen or women who have completed their basic training. They will spend six months on an arranged programme studying historic buildings, repair methods and traditional materials throughout the country.

We hope that over the years the fellowship will not only help to raise the standard of craftsmanship on historic buildings but also give some recognition to the value of the craftsmen.

Yours faithfully,
PHILIP VENNING, Secretary,
William Morris Craft Fellowship Committee,
37 Spital Square, E1.
December 21.

All the difference

From Mrs Mary Munro-Hill

Sir, What a dangerous statement Philip Howard makes in his recent article (December 17) "Preposidioms"! He tells us that "different than" is the only possible form to use when "different" is followed by a "comparative than-clause". Mr Howard should know that the very structure to which he refers does not exist in good English: "different" is not, properly speaking, a comparative adjective, though "other" is an entirely different (!) matter.

Both the unfortunate examples he quotes are taken from *A Comprehensive Grammar of the English Language* (Randolph Quirk, *et al.*, 1985), more noteworthy for its breadth of coverage than for its quality. As if it were not enough to tolerate – and even to admit to using in his own writing – the expression "different than", he goes on to define "really bad" grammar as "the idiolect that obscures your meaning and ruins the sense".

With a definition so loose in every sense, faulty utterances such as "Between you and I", "I ain't got no books" and "You wasn't there, was you?" become acceptable, one must suppose, on the grounds that they are intelligible.

Come, come, Mr Howard. *Quis custodiet ipsos custodes*?

Yours truly,
M. MUNRO-HILL,
Glebe Corner,
Lockington,
Driffield, North Humberside.
December 19.

CAP breakthrough

From Mr C. M. Coffin

Sir, In your leader today (December 18) you expressed relief at the breakthrough in the EEC agricultural policy. I share your views, but with some reservations.

The fabric of rural society is under threat from the control being imposed on dairy farmers. The smaller producer, who is both the backbone and lifeblood of the industry, is being destroyed.

Milk quota is being transferred at prices which only the larger producer can afford to pay. Unless a governing body is appointed to administer these transactions, I see the future British countryside dominated by large-scale factory-type farms.

Yours sincerely,
CHARLES COFFIN,
Cross Farm,
Leigh,
Sherborne, Dorset.
December 18.

Music on trains

From Mr T.P. Hudson

Sir, I hope that no one at British Rail will take up seriously Carol Illingworth's suggestion (December 18) of performing musicians on trains.

A recent 4½-hour journey from Córdoba to Madrid on Spain's crack train, the Talgo, was spoilt for me by orchestral music, quite loud and relentlessly jaunty, which was piped through to all carriages – and obviously meant to be an added "luxury". The only respite came during the showing of the film, when the sound track was relayed through headphones.

May British trains long keep the relative quietness they have, for the benefit of those who want to read, to sleep – or even to compose letters to *The Times*.

Yours etc,
TIMOTHY HUDSON,
23 Glenwood Avenue,
Bognor, Sussex.

ON THIS DAY

DECEMBER 31 1790

There was little to quicken the pulse on this last day of the year – no backward glance at the previous 12 months or forecast for the coming decade; and not much room in a four-page paper for anything else beside the continuation of a scholarly article on the late Lord Chatham and the tedious details of a lawsuit involving a missing Bill of Exchange. Not for the last time in journalism, it is the smaller items that catch the eye.

WINDSOR.

DECEMBER 29.

The King's hunt on Tuesday last afforded ample amusement for the lovers of the chace. A stag was turned out at Two Mile Brook, near Salthill, soon after eleven; and taking for the upper part of Buckinghamshire, led the sportsmen a severe run through a woody country to Besconsfield. Here the doe headed back; and running over the country, gained the Thames near Water Oakley, which it crossed, bidding defiance to the pack, which were not backward in a very gallant and vigorous pursuit. His Majesty and the horsemen were obliged to pass over Maidenhead Bridge ... His Majesty rode with great spirits the whole day, and was in at the taking of the deer.

The Managers of Covent Garden Theatre should employ some Constables to clear the avenues of that Theatre from pickpockets, as several persons have had their pockets turned inside out, within this week in going there. The lobby should likewise be well watched, as very improper persons are frequently admitted towards the close of the play ...

STORM IN THE NORTH.

The floods and the melting of the late snows in this quarter have been so rapid, that with a succession of heavy rains, a greater swell of the waters has been occasioned, than can be remembered ... From 12 till two o'clock on Thursday last the rain near Leeds fell in torrents, with lightning and wind equal to a hurricane. The waters rose so suddenly that a woman was swimming about the room in her bed, before she knew what was the matter! In the lower part of Leeds, they were glad to get into the upper rooms, and take their pigs, etc., with them ... The upper part of the steeple of St. Mary's, Leicester, was blown down, as well as that of St. Nicholas at Worcester; with chimneys, barns, hay-ricks, etc., innumerable. Five wrecks are on shore between Eastbourne and Dungeness.

NORTH WALES.

... It [the storm] has quite unroofed the house of a Gentleman, blown the bell which stood in his coach-house near 200 yards from its place, and very much shattered the gable-end of his stables, in which were six fine coach horses and five hunters ... A very fine large hot-house, which he built last summer, is entirely levelled with the ground; and the gardener, who lives close to it, has suffered very considerably; for some bricks, tiles, etc., fell through the roof, and through the top of his bed, which broke his left arm, and bruised one of his thighs. His wife, though in bed with him at the time, was not in the least hurt.

On Sunday evening between eight and nine o'clock a dispute arose in Wapping, between some sailors, about the pre-eminence to a lass of universal condescension, and some very severe blows ensued, when the victors, to the number of six, bore the fair prize off in triumph aboard a New York vessel, from New York, lying in the river, to which they belonged; when, to the surprise of the whole crew, in about two hours after, they were alarmed by the cries of a new-born female infant! The Captain directed every assistance to be procured for the innocent offspring, and the mother; and the sailors jovially joined in affording every accommodation, and are determined to stand sponsors for the fair fugitive, who is to be christened on board the vessel ...

Bang to rights

From the Editor of Current Archaeology

Sir, Before 1986 fades into oblivion is there still time to raise our glasses for a rather important anniversary? For 1986 has been the eleventh centenary of the foundation of the City of London by King Alfred. There can be no doubt about the date – it is recorded clearly by no less an authority than the *Anglo-Saxon Chronicle*. However, everybody has ignored the poor old *A-S Chronicle* in the past on the grounds that the Roman city had never been abandoned and could not therefore be "founded".

However, recent archaeological research has shown that we were all wrong: the old Roman city was abandoned and a new undefended settlement (or "wick", from the Latin *vicus*) was set up to the west, along the Strand, in what is today the West End. What happened in 886, therefore, was that Alfred, having recently recaptured this settlement from the Danes, decided to move back within the old Roman walls. The abandoned site then became known as the Old Wick, or Aldwych.

It is time, therefore, to take the *Anglo-Saxon Chronicle* seriously. Hurrah for Alfred! Could we not, belatedly, in this year of the Big Bang, raise our glasses to him and the rather bigger bang of 11 centuries ago when the City of London was founded?

Yours nostalgically,
ANDREW SELKIRK, Editor,
Current Archaeology,
9 Nassington Road, NW3.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM

December 30: The Queen was represented by the Lord Hesketh (Lord in Waiting) at the Funeral of Sir Gilbert Laithwaite (formerly High Commissioner in Karachi) which was held in Westminster Cathedral this morning.

A memorial service for Sir Henry Osmond-Clarke will be held at St Clement Danes, Strand, at noon on Wednesday, January 7, 1987.

The infant daughter of Viscount and Viscountess Garnock was christened Frances Mary by the Rev David Reid at Kilconquhar Parish Church on Monday, December 15. The godparents are Baron St Clair Bonde, Mr Charles Ian Wotrige-Gordon, Mrs James Lonsdale, Mrs Jeffrey Green and Miss Carol Maytag.

Earl of Stockton

The private funeral service for The Earl of Stockton will be held at the church of St Giles, Horsted Keynes, West Sussex, at noon on Monday, January 5. Details of a memorial service will be announced later. Flowers may be sent to Kenyon Limited, 74 Rochester Row, London SW1, for the church.

Forces' promotions

Royal Navy

The provisional Royal Navy and Royal Marines selections for promotion to date December 31, 1986 are confirmed.

The provisional Royal Navy and Royal Marines selections for promotion to date June 30, 1987.

General List

Seaman
Commander to Captain: M J Sant: B J Adams: T S Taylor: C K D Cobley: T L M Sumter: J H S McAnally: C W Roddis: M L Yeo: A C McEwen: M A Johnson: G M F Leverett.
Lieutenant Commander to Commander: M J Priestley: A J K Nichols: D J D Acland: J W Parker: C M S Codner MA: D P Baudains: R J Albery: C W Waite: A M Willmett: W N P Batho: M D P Samborne: M R Swales: J W T Wright: I C Webb: J P K Rooke: D J Pilfield: H G B Slade: P Johnson: D A Lewis: H B Dagilan: T P McClement.

Engineering
Commander to Captain: R A Baller: M L D Kendrick: C M C Crawford: N C W de Brunner: P J A Wyatt: P N Galloway: D H G Morgan.
Lieutenant Commander to Commander: K J McKenzie: D N Britten: M Dennis-Jones: R D Sladden: B J Welch: S P C Westwood: S Moir: L D L Stoffer: S W Howick: J W R Grant: J B Binns: A J Norton: A J Hunt: G N Fairhurst: R F Cheadle: W K Ridley: B P Eastley: T C Chittenden: E L Warnett.

Supply and Secretarial
Commander to Captain: A E Slater.
Lieutenant Commander to Commander: P S Eaglestone: A C Hamilton: M A Barge: W J R Pennefather: R J Aylard.

Instructor
Commander to Captain: M J R Nestor.
Lieutenant Commander to Commander: T A Spires: A E Mizen: I Edwards: L P Brokenshire: C B H Stevenson.

Medical and Dental
Medical Branch
Surgeon Commander to Surgeon Captain: M A Macleod: A R Marsh.
Surgeon Lieutenant Commander to Surgeon Commander: I C Grant: C J Kalman: N S Bevan: A E J Hodges.

Dental Branch
Surgeon Commander (D) to Surgeon Captain (D) – 1: E J Grant.
Surgeon Lieutenant Commander (D) to Surgeon Commander (D) – 2: D L Thomas: M J Lovell.

Royal Marines
Lieutenant Colonel to Colonel – 3: M H H Evans: I M Walden: R C van der Horst.
Major to Lieutenant Colonel – 4: R Turner: D A S Pennefather: B L Carter: G J O Wells-Cole.
Captain to Major – 4: J R Wilson: R M Rundle: R P W Wilsey: R A Fry.

The Army

The Ministry of Defence announces the following Army promotions, all effective from June 30, 1986.

Colonel to Brigadier
E H Barker: W J Bittles: A H Boyle: D R Chaundler: M R I Constantine: S D A Firth: J C J Hathaway: M S Heath: N G R Hepworth: G S Hollands: G Hyde: A Kinvig: A Le Blanc-Smith: M T A Lord: S W St J Lytle: C J D Nitsch: J J Philipps: R F Powell: D H D Selwood: R A Smith: D P Thomson: C B Q Wallace: P E Woolley.

Lieutenant-Colonel to Colonel
R F Baty: M F Bremridge: G Bullock: A S Cornick: J E F Cowan: D L De Beaujeu: A J Dobson: B H Dutton: D C J Goodban: H O Hugh-Smith: A R Jones: C M S Kaye: C A Less: P S H Lefevre: J Marchant-Smith: R D Nicholas: P D Pellegrew: C J Pickup: E D Powell-Jones: E C Tait: D A B Williams: A G Witheridge: T B Wright: M J Woodcock.

Major to Lieutenant Colonel
Royal Armoured Corps
M H Butler: M H Slevwright: J M Temples: N J Tuck.
Royal Regiment of Artillery
P A B Clement: J Fairman: S P Harris: T M Lyons: J R M Pitt: R J M Stewart: T O G Stokes: M C S Wright.
Corps of Royal Engineers
R C Morgan: R J A Paterson-Fox.
Royal Corps of Signals
I C Shuker: A M Wallace

Infantry
The Guards Division: O R St J Breakwell: J J Carell.
The Scottish Division: J G Finlay: A P Grant-Peterkin.
The Queen's Division: G B M Carter.
The King's Division: E J Downham: P C C Trousdall: T C E Vines.
The Prince of Wales's Division: J H C Brown: D A C Hannah: P D Harry: R J Lees.
The Light Division: T Harris: S C Hearn.
The Brigade of Gurkhas: D H M Briggs: R C Eyres: R Litherland: A McNish: T J O'Donnell.
The Parachute Regiment: J H Crosland.
Army Air Corps: Lord Castlemain: N S C Hall: C S Sibson: P L W Wood.
Royal Corps of Transport: B C Neeves.
Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers: R D Platt.
Corps of Royal Military Police: D W Watson.
Royal Pioneer Corps: G R Cooper.
Women's Royal Army Corps: M J Rook.

Royal Air Force

The Ministry of Defence announces the following RAF promotions, all effective from January 1, 1987.

Air Rank Promotions
Air Marshal to Air Chief Marshal
Sir David Harcourt-Smith: Sir Joseph Gilbert.
Air Commodore to Air Vice-Marshal
D B Leech: T H Skinner: A L Roberts: R A F Wilson: C J Thomson.
Group Captain to Air Commodore
A C Curry: D J Hine: P D L Gover: P G Nee: G A Smart: J Morris: B G Harrington: K E J Monkhouse: P D Clark: D R French: S A Jones. WRAF.

General Duties Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain
I K McVee: R Kidney: B J Maher: G L Grindley: F Durnam: J D Lunt: B E Nunn: H A W Drew: J D L Feesey: A J Stables: A McKay: J K Walters: T E L Jarron: D G Hawkins.

Squadron Leader to Wing Commander
A H Jones: E P Kendall: R M Trowern: K F G E Miles: M A Gaynor: E Rutledge: R J Ward: N J Hughes: A M Carter: J R Dean: J C W Marshall: G P Smith: R C Moore: M J Bibby: P A Smith: A J Mawby: W A B Roberts: M S Holmes: N C Rosling: S J Gosling: D T Calvert: J H Easton: S G Griffiths: D H Milne-Smith: J Meehan: M D Tones: M R Tracy: R D Ivison: T G Hanlon: W Metcalfe: I M Healey: B M Cottam: J L Buckler: A M Martin: A C Montgomery: G Miller: N C L Hudson: D M Barr: B G McLaren.

Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader
T W Spittles: R E Byfield: K McK Rea: P Wallis: D H Humphreys-Evans: G J Smith: J F M Withers: R C Smith: J B Dodd: M J Hunt: J A Close: P J Compton: R Irving: S W Dyles: D L Beasley: D A Leader: R S Dixon: J Duxpate: R B Ford: N May: G A Moore: M W Brown: C Slatter: D S Smith: J D Babbington: P Bayer: G H Lidbetter: D P Lovett: K Smuths: R I. King: J J McNeil: P W Grice: Bailey: J D Cunningham: H C Burgoyne: T P Mann: R M Prince: J C Maxwell: R A Keech: R D Harper: N B Randall: S J Wood: S H Bedford: N R Jagger: J B Walker: J Turner: P R Beard: P J Collins: S J R Parfitt: W J Bird: C M Rowley: B J Paton: D R Hammond: A J Barrett: G M Viney: R T Aitken: D A Wilson: N P Ayres: C M Skeggs: E G Jones: H Sherwin: P A Davies: D W Knowles: T L Boyle: M C Barter: P R Cockman: F B Prescott: P H Budd: A G Wilton: S D Bratter: D B Bolsover: A A Cooke: P D Legg: A D Pulford: F D Ryall.

General Duties (Ground) Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain
P J P Hutchings.
Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader
K P Dalley: R B Handy: D J Burchell: I W Holt: D J Butcher: G M Chothia: R I Tatton: J C W Broughton: J G S Lasker: R N Williams: K P Saunders: A B Wilson: J S Law: G Clough: D H Higginbottom: M S Dzikiba: M A Best: C R Pickthall: I Gault: N Williams: A O Connarty: A P Kell: B P Gregson.

Photographic Interpretation Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain:
P H Boatwright.
Squadron Leader to Wing Commander: N J Pearson.
Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader:
M R Hallam.

Engineer Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain
R J Garlick: K G Bennett: C R Bates: S G Dru Drury: S E Clark.
Squadron Leader to Wing Commander
T A Salter: D L Williams: P M Ford: B M McIntee: R H Griffiths: J W Stewart: P W Gibbs: D W Pedrick: C G Rowntree: D C Hyde: B A Jones: J J W McClarty: J Turner: C J Hockley: P D Cutts: M S Taylor: J C Wildman: M Davies: L M Down: M J Spalding.

Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader
N J B Craddock: P C Garritt: P J Bonsall: R L Denham: M Scothern: P Jewkes: E Connolly: J R Morley: P J Clarke: G B Jones: J Martin: E R Heyes: S J Colbourne: S R Daniels: W T D Pearse: M E McIntyre: B G A Foster: P G Humphreys: A J Howell: K L Wicks: J Farquharson: J T Hendry: I D Matthews: G Brunining: C M Williamson: S M Phelps: P N Arney: C N Adamson: P P Smith: J McHale: R D Reckham: J Elsom: M A Barker: A N Caffell: S J Taylor: R N Jones: A Deytrikh: R Watson: P J Gow: C J Potter: M R Jenkins: C R Edwards: N J E Kurth: B A Moore: R G Torrens: A L Wilson: P Q Barnard: E A Brown: E W Madge.

Supply Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain
N M Griffiths: N W Buchanan.
Squadron Leader to Wing Commander
M S Oliver: G S Harrison: D C Bernard: G Morton: C Cruse: C R J Goss: R J Tribe.
Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader
P H Steiner: T D Gould: S Oakley: D Parr: A Minton: A MacBean: K P Aspinall: A J Mason: S L Walker (WRAF): P M King: T Kerr: M Sullivan: B M Kellett: C R Markey: S F Grant: A S Gingell: P D Britton: C J S Heward: A J R Davenport: H F Tierney.

Administrative Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain
K H Minton: M L Jackson.
Squadron Leader to Wing Commander
M E Wadley: W J Bevan: W W Wright: R W Kermeen: J I Gilson: D R Phillips: P J Howard: M J Smith: D O Wallace: M N Codd: R K Littlejohn: G P Carson: J G R James: O D L Delany.

Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader
T D Robson: P Rooney: W F King: D Devlin: C J Browning WRAF: M R MacKenzie: D B Dinsmuir: M B Frankling: B C Debenham: I R Macrae: A Clark: A Godfrey: C S Davidson: B A Crown: T S Moore: A F Caffell WRAF: D J Harward: D Oldfield: R M Winterton: A J Suttie: P L Weller: L C Paterson: M J Bentley WRAF: N K Gillingham: E Wright WRAF: C Allen: I D Field: P Driscoll WRAF: D W Benfield: A Hastings: C Cordery: P Brookhuizen: R L Jones: T J Bacon: S P Howard: K J Harden.

Security Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain
T T Wallis: W Godfrey.
Squadron Leader to Wing Commander: A V Schofield: M C Valentiner: R McConnell: M T McGinty.
Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader
I A McPhee: A D Weavil: M K Parker: G J P Moore: K J H Morris.

Dental Branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain:
R J Lane.

Medical Secretarial Branch
Squadron Leader to Wing Commander: C Hawke.
Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader:
K W Pudney: R J Oxborrow: T L Woods.

Legal branch
Wing Commander to Group Captain:
T R Jones.

Birthdays today

Mr Douglas Anthony, CH, 57; Mr Glanvill Benn, 81; Mr Michael Bonallack, 52; Sir George Christie, 52; Mr Stephen Cleobury, 38; Air Marshal Sir Patrick Dunn, 74; Major-General J. D. Frost, 74; Mr Jack Hargreaves, 75; Mr Anthony Hopkins, 49; Mr Ben Kingsley, 43; Mr E. B. Mackay, 64; Mr Peter May, 57; Mr Nathan Milstein, 82; Dr Valerie Pearl, 60; M Jean-Pierre Rives, 34; Sir Joshua Rowley, 66; Sir John Sainty, 52; the Earl of Strathmore, 58.

Dinner

Maccabeans

The annual Chanukah dinner of the Maccabaeans was held at the King David Suite last night and Sir Immanuel Jakobovits, Chief Rabbi, was the guest of honour. Sir Alan Marre, president, was in the chair and Mr Ian Gainsford also spoke.

Appointment

Mr Nicholas Addison Phillips, QC, to be a Justice of the High Court in the Queens's Bench Division.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.J. Anthony
and Miss R.C. Tankard
The engagement is announced between Roderick James, only son of Mr and Mrs J.H. Anthony, of Combe Martin, North Devon, and Rachel Clare, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Tankard, of Gamston, near Retford, Nottinghamshire.

Mr R.G. Chambers
and Miss C.B. Johnson
The engagement is announced between Robert, second son of Mr and Mrs P.B. Chambers, of Rushford Hall, Norfolk, and Belinda, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R.D. Johnson, of Holmcroft, Bassingbourn, Hertfordshire.

Mr N.H. Freeman
and Miss H.C. Marriott
The engagement is announced between Nigel, elder son of Dr and Mrs G.H. Freeman, of Wellesbourne, Warwickshire, and Helen, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Marriott, of Clevedon, Somerset.

Mr V.J. Jerrard
and Miss E.A. Lee
The engagement is announced between Vincent John, only son of Mr and Mrs D.J. Jerrard, of Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, and Elizabeth Anne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M.P. Lee, of Morys, Great Coxwell, Faringdon, Oxfordshire.

Mr J.C.R. Kittow
and Miss D.J. Lupprian
The engagement is announced between Jonathan Charles Rosewarne, elder son of the late Mr J.A.F. Kittow and Mrs P.A. Kittow, of Broadhempston, Devon, and Deborah Janet, second daughter of Dr and Mrs Keith Lupprian, of Exeter, Devon.

Marriage

Mr A.M. Sharkey
and Miss A.T. Gorst
The marriage took place on Christmas Eve in Edinburgh, between Mr Andrew Sharkey and Miss Teresa Gorst.

OBITUARY

THE EARL OF STOCKTON

Intellectual statesman who achieved mastery in his day

The Earl of Stockton, PC, OM, who as Mr Harold Macmillan was Prime Minister from 1957 to 1963, died on December 29 at the age of 92. He was one of the outstanding political figures of his time, and a person of unusual interest and complexity.

The air of nonchalance that he cultivated in his later years concealed an intensely nervous temperament, and the impersonation of a traditional English grandee that he perfected in middle age belied the fact that he was, essentially, a Scottish bourgeois with the appropriate qualities of canniness, toughness and addiction to hard work: a fact of which he was himself well aware, and justly proud.

He was the first leader of the Conservative Party since Balfour who could properly be described as an intellectual, and he showed, during his years of power, a capacity for Balfourian deviousness which surpassed that of his rival and victim, R. A. Butler, without being so apparent.

As a young MP he was regarded as unduly earnest and rather a bore. Yet he emerged from his proconsular reign in North Africa and Italy with a reputation for worldly wisdom and sophisticated wit that the passage of time served only to enhance. He also emerged with a more ruthless ambition and a determination to beat at their own game the sort of people who, before the war, had despised and humiliated him.

During the brief Eden premiership he was in turn Foreign Secretary and Chancellor of the Exchequer. He was well qualified for both posts, but in neither had time to achieve major results. In the Suez crisis his role was erratic, not to say equivocal; but when Eden resigned in January 1957 he nevertheless won the succession, through the obscure backstage machinations that then governed the choice of Conservative leaders. It was probably for the best that he was chosen, though the methods were dubious and many at the time preferred him for the wrong reasons.

As Prime Minister he was able to restore unity, morale and self-respect not only to his party, but to the country as well. After winning a decisive electoral vistory in 1959 he quickened the pace of withdrawal from Empire, and began the process of orientating Britain towards Continental Europe. But his realism in deciding on this course of policy was flawed by an unrealistic hankering after the kind of Anglo-American relationship that Churchill had sought in vain to re-establish in the post-war world. The result was de Gaulle's veto in 1963, which more than anything else undermined Macmillan's prestige and authority.

At home there was far more merit in his conduct of affairs than it has recently been fashionable to admit, though he suffered at the time, and continued to suffer, from the remark almost invariably misquoted as "you've never had it so good." The impression of materialism and cynicism that the incorrect version of this remark has served to create is largely, though not perhaps wholly, false. On some issues it must be said that Macmillan as Prime Minister did tend to take soft options and short views.

Just as Baldwin was the first British leader to make effective use of sound broadcasting, so Macmillan was the first fully to exploit the medium of television, as he gradually adapted his style from the orotund to the conversational. In the House of Commons, too, he achieved something like mastery at the height of his premiership, though perhaps the greatest Parliamentary triumphs of his life were scored a quarter of a century later when, as a frail old man, speaking without notes and leaning on a silver-headed cane, he held the House of Lords spellbound.

Maurice Harold Macmillan was born on February 10, 1894, the third son of Maurice Crawford Macmillan, a director of the publishers Macmillan and Company, which had been founded by Harold Macmillan's grandfather. His mother was an American, Helen Hill, née Belles.

He was educated at Eton where, like Orwell and Keynes - the two other Old Etonians this century of unquestionably first-rate stature - he was a Colleger. He then went to Balliol College, Oxford, where he took first class honours in Classical Moderations, the war intervening before he could sit his finals. In the autumn of 1914 he joined the King's Royal Rifle Corps, but in March the following year was gazetted to the Special Reserve Battalion of the Grenadier Guards.

He saw action in France and was wounded three times, on one occasion being rescued from a shell hole in no-man's land by his sergeant. That was in 1916. He did not finally leave hospital until after the armistice, and his wound gave him pain, and a shuffling walk, for the rest of his life.

From 1919 to 1920 he was ADC to the ninth Duke of Devonshire, then Governor-General of Canada. While in Ottawa, he became engaged to the Duke's third daughter, Lady Dorothy Cavendish, to whom he was married at St Margaret's, Westminster, in April 1920. The marriage was not all plain sailing, but it held firm and was a source of strength to him, particularly when he was Prime Minister.

He retired from the Army in 1920 and went into the family business. Three years later he began his political career. At the general election of 1923 he was the unsuccessful Conservative candidate for Stockton-on-Tees. But the following year he was elected for it and, though defeated in 1929, regained it in 1931. He then held it until 1945.

He soon became known as a thoughtful and independent backbencher, though he was also regarded by his fellow Conservatives as too earnest. Because of his rebelliousness on key issues, domestic and foreign, he had to wait until 1940 to receive office, while other young men of his generation were promoted.

Representing Stockton during the Depression gave pith and point to his convictions as a Tory social reformer. In 1933 he published *Reconstruction: A Plea for a National Policy*, a book notable for a Conservative in those days in that it advocated economic planning.

This theme was further developed in a sequel, *The Middle Way* (1938), in which he advocated a wide extension of social enterprise and credit, while insisting that outside the range of minimum human needs, which were to be secured by a minimum wage, there should be a deliberate preservation of private enterprise.

He renounced the whip in the summer of 1936 in protest against Baldwin's policy towards Abyssinia and, though he took it back a year later under Chamberlain, he remained a bitter and consistent opponent of Appeasement.

He supported A. D. Lindsay, the Master of Balliol, against the official Conservative candidate, Quintin Hogg (now Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone), in the celebrated Oxford by-election of 1938. He became during these years a member of the "Churchill group."

In the early months of the war, he became increasingly disenchanted with what he considered to be its spineless conduct by the Chamberlain Government. When Russia invaded Finland he joined Leo Amery's committee formed to help the Finns, and after the collapse of that country's resistance attacked Chamberlain in a speech in the House. Later, in the debate of May 7 and 8 on the Norwegian campaign, he was one of the thirty Conservatives who voted against the Government, inflicting a moral blow that helped to precipitate its fall and to bring Churchill to the premiership.

When the Churchill coalition was formed Macmillan was offered only the modest office of Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Supply, but at least he was able to put into practice ideas about planning which he had been formulating since he entered politics. In June 1942 he was appointed Under-Secretary at the Colonial Office - another rather humble position, in view of his record. He felt considerable disaffection at this time.

But in November of that year the decisive break occured, when he was appointed Minister Resident in Algiers after two others had refused the post. Macmillan suspected that it would be a "political Siberia," but in fact it was the turning point of his career. For the first time he had independent power, and could display his administrative gifts and his flair for negotiation.

French North Africa had become an American sphere of influence, with General Eisenhower as Supreme Commander. To Richard Crossman Macmillan made the much-quoted remark: "We, my dear Crossman, are Greeks in the Roman empire. We must run the Allied Forces HQ as Greek slaves ran the operations of the Emperor Claudius."

Macmillan was also intimately concerned with the French. It was his task to promote unity among the French themselves, and between them and the "Anglo-Saxons." On the whole, he was quite successful, assisted by a fluent command of French, although, unfortunately for the future, he did not establish anything like as close an understanding with de Gaulle as he did with Eisenhower.

When the long-delayed Italian armistice was signed, Macmillan was appointed head of the Allied Commission and Minister Resident in Naples. In December 1943 he became Minister Resident for the Central Mediterranean.

In November of the following year he became head of the Allied Commission in Italy with responsibility for assisting Italian reconstruction. Moreover his responsibility stretched beyond Italy, embracing Greece, Yugoslavia, Lebanon and Syria.



He played a leading part in handling the civil war that followed the liberation of Greece. He ordered British troops to "neutralize" the Communist guerrillas, advocated the regency of Archbishop Damaskinos, and oversaw the peace conference at Varkissa.

Near the end of his time in Italy, after VE Day, he visited a British Corps HQ at Klagenfurt in South Austria, and evidently sanctioned the forced repatriation of several thousand Cossacks who were not Soviet citizens, as well as many thousands of anti-Tito Yugoslavs. This act of *Realpolitik*, possibly understandable in the circumstances of the time, returned to haunt him at the end of his life. And he did not then improve his reputation by either refusing to discuss the matter at all, or discussing it disingenuously.

In the Conservative Caretaker Government formed in May 1945, he was Secretary of State for Air. But two months later he lost both the office and his seat at Stockton in the general election which brought Labour to power in a landslide. (He had tried to transfer from Stockton to the safe seat of St George's, Westminster, but was told by the Party managers that he must fight at Stockton, since he had the best chance of holding the seat.)

In November 1945 he returned to Parliament at a by-election as MP for Bromley, the seat that he held for the rest of his time in the Commons. During the years of opposition, 1945-51, he was one of the major spokesmen for his Party, both in Parliament and in the country.

The Conservative Government that returned to office after the 1951 election was pledged to build 300,000 houses a year, and Macmillan was given the job of redeeming the pledge. He did so, thereby greatly adding to his popular standing.

He was promoted Minister of Defence in October 1954, but was one of a succession of men who held this post for too short a time to be able to achieve much.

At this time the retirement of Churchill from the premiership seemed overdue, but the old man, despite his failing powers, was reluctant to go. Macmillan (whom Churchill had called "the captain of my praetorian guard") alone among his friends had the courage to give him the unwelcome advice that he ought to leave.

When Eden succeeded to the premiership in April 1955, he appointed Macmillan Foreign Secretary. At first it seemed that he was ideally suited to the job. But to be Eden's Foreign Secretary was no easy task for a man of Macmillan's experience, and the two men did not love each other.

The summit conference in Geneva in July 1955 encouraged premature hopes of a settlement with the Soviet Union. It was left to the foreign ministers to discover in a wearying, fruitless, detailed negotiation that the agreements in principle on the problems of European security and German unification could not yield a solution in practice.

In December of that year Macmillan was transferred to the Treasury, but as Chancellor his career was also too short for any clear-cut judgement to be made. His single budget is best remembered for the introduction of premium bonds.

The Suez crisis in the latter half of 1956 imposed new strains upon the economy as well as on loyalties within the Conservative Party. At first one of the most militant supporters of the venture, Macmillan was later, as Chancellor, brought face to face with the economic consequences.

It will, however, always seem very odd that, with his knowledge of the Americans, and of Eisenhower in particular, he failed to make a correct assessment of the American attitude when he visited the United States shortly before the Government's disastrous decisions were taken.

Nevertheless, the crisis had the effect of bringing him to the top. Within a few weeks of his 63rd birthday, he succeeded to the premiership on the resignation of Eden.

The effective choice was between him and R. A. Butler, and there seems little doubt that Macmillan was preferred both by the Cabinet and by the parliamentary party. He was elected Party leader on January 22, 1957, and, in a buoyant mood, he embarked upon the task of restoring confidence. He began his policy of adjustment to the realities of diminished power, using a technique which he himself later admitted to be a "very common method," that of doing one thing while saying that one is doing another.

In the early months of his leadership, with a backbench revolt over his advice to British shipowners not to refrain from using the Suez Canal, and some unpopular austerity measures, he appeared to be making little impact on public opinion. But when, in January 1958, on the eve of his departure on a Commonwealth tour, he was faced with the resignation of his entire Treasury team led by the Chancellor, Peter (now Lord) Thorneycroft, because of a difference over the level of Government expenditure, he described this as "a little local difficulty,": a piece of bravado which did much to enhance his stature.

He had also shown his independence of the Conservative right, and of the Party's traditionalists, when he allowed Lord Salisbury to resign in protest against the release of Archbishop Makarios, whom Eden had incarcerated in the Seychelles. This led later, after much travail, to a settlement of sorts in Cyprus.

In the early phase of his premiership he took, however, one very bad decision in the search for popularity. Instead of ending compulsory military service while retaining the principle of compulsory National Service, with a variety of options, he abolished National Service outright.

In February 1959 he and the Foreign Secretary visited the Soviet Union. At first, they were well received, but later Khrushchev discovered that he was "suffering from toothache" and the success of the visit seemed in doubt. But he decided to recover, and in the discussions that followed the Russians agreed to a foreign ministers' conference.

While this visit was one of limited diplomatic value, it further consolidated Macmillan's standing at home. It was at this time that the nickname "Supermac," coined by the cartoonist Vicky, passed into currency.

In August 1959 Macmillan welcomed President Eisenhower to Britain. The Prime Minister had restored relations between Britain and America, profoundly damaged by Suez. He and Eisenhower appeared together on television, a broadcast more valuable to Macmillan than any party-political, and one that set the scene for the general election in October.

In this the Conservatives were returned with a majority of 100 seats. It was their third successive election victory, and in each their majority had been increased. Macmillan was at the apogee of his career.

In his new government after the election one of the most important appointments was that of Iain Macleod as Colonial Secretary. This signalled a rapid process of granting independence to former colonies in East and Central Africa, and the dismemberment of the Central African Federation.

He left in January 1960 for a tour of Africa that took him through Ghana, Nigeria, Rhodesia, Nyasaland and South Africa. On February 3 he addressed both Houses of the South African Parliament and told them with courteous frankness what was the attitude of the United Kingdom to the Union's racial policies.

"The wind of change is blowing through the continent. Whether we like it or not this growth of national consciousness is a political fact. We must accept it as a fact. Our national policies must take account of it."

Meanwhile he had been elected Chancellor of his old university of Oxford, after a diverting spell of academic electioneering. He proved an outstandingly good Chancellor.

In Europe, the prospects for the Great-Power summit in Paris were not improved by the "U2 incident," the shooting down over Soviet territory of an American photo-reconnaissance aircraft. At the time, Macmillan had no idea that Khrushchev would refuse to take part in the negotiations.

After the breakdown of the summit, Macmillan began to take a closer interest in the possibility of Britain's joining the Common Market. He had been in general terms a "European" and had certainly shown more sympathy towards European unity than either Churchill or Eden. But, like Churchill, he also had hankerings after an Anglo-American special relationship, which tended to confuse his thinking.

In his approach to the Common Market he moved with great caution. The Cabinet contained several who had doubts, and the party could only be brought to accept the implications of entry by the most tactful persuasion.

He went to Washington where he found President Kennedy strongly in favour of British entry. Soon afterwards, Edward Heath recommended full membership in a Commons speech, and three emissaries were sent to Commonwealth capitals to reassure those countries.

At the end of July 1961 Macmillan made the formal announcement to Parliament, stressing Britain's place in the vanguard of the movement towards the greater unity of the free world. In the division, twenty Tories abstained and one voted against, but Macmillan triumphed. In the autumn, negotiations began at Brussels under Mr Heath's leadership.

Macmillan was well ahead of public opinion. His Cabinet was still divided and Mr Heath was handicapped at Brussels by having to proceed at the speed of its most doubting member. Progress was slow, and it was not until the following summer that Mr Heath was able to make ground.

In September 1962 the Commonwealth prime ministers met in London. This was an important meeting, for opposition to British entry was strongly expressed in Canada, Australia and New Zealand. It was a stormy meeting. Nevertheless, in the communiqué the Commonwealth freely acknowledged that Britain had tried to safeguard Commonwealth interests.

It had long been clear that the French attitude towards Britain's entry would be of decisive importance. In 1961 Couve de Murville had been encouraging, but as the negotiations proceeded, so the French attitude became equivocal.

In June 1962 Macmillan had visited de Gaulle at the Château de Champs and had come away confident of success. Nevertheless, the negotiations at Brussels took on increasingly the aspect of Britain and the "Five" against France.

Macmillan's persuading President Kennedy at Nassau to substitute Polaris for Skybolt, thus preserving Britain's independent deterrent, only exacerbated the problem in the eyes of de Gaulle, who disapproved of the growing integration of British nuclear power with that of America, and would have preferred a joint European force. This, more than anything, precipitated the veto with which de Gaulle ended the Brussels negotiations on January 14, 1963.

The breakdown of the negotiations was a disaster for Macmillan. At a blow, the entire strategy of the Government was destroyed; had the negotiations been successfully concluded, it is probable that an election would have been called for 1963, and that the Conservatives would have won it. As it was, the Government and Macmillan himself were left vulnerable to casual vicissitudes.

At home the Conservatives had seemed for a time secure, but the budget of 1961, with its reduction of surtax ushering in the threat of another balance of payments crisis, led to further imprudent economic tinkering including a wage pause which was more generally unpopular.

Several by-election defeats in the first half of 1962, particularly the one at Orpington, led to what seemed to be a major loss of nerve by Macmillan. With a further humiliation for the Government at Leicester predicted by Conservative Central Office for the July by-election there, Macmillan embarked on his drastic cabinet surgery in the notorious "Night of the Long Knives" of Friday, July 13.

At a stroke, seven cabinet ministers were purged. These events had a traumatic effect on the Party but, more important, they implied that Macmillan's sangfroid had deserted him.

In September 1962 Vassall, a minor civil servant, was arrested and convicted of spying for the Soviet Union.

The resignation of Lord Carrington, First Lord of the Admiralty, was called for in the Commons; Mr Thomas Galbraith, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, in whose office Vassall had been employed, became the victim of a campaign of innuendo; and, following the publication of letters that he and his wife had exchanged with Vassall, Galbraith offered his resignation.

Macmillan set up a tribunal under Lord Radcliffe which resulted in the imprisonment of two journalists who refused to reveal their sources, and which cleared the ministers concerned. Galbraith was reinstated in the Government, but it was felt that Macmillan should not have accepted his resignation in the first place.

The winter of 1962-3 was the most severe for 200 years; unemployment rose to four per cent, and the Government's popularity declined.

In June the Profumo scandal broke. The War Minister wrote to Macmillan admitting to a lie - his statement to the Commons denying impropriety between himself and Miss Christine Keeler - and saying he wished to resign.

At this the storm broke. But the party leaders rallied to the Prime Minister, and a debate on Lord Denning's report on the affair was held on June 17. Macmillan's defence ws that he had not been told the full evidence, and he concluded his speech: "My colleagues and I have been deceived, but we have not been parties to deception, and I claim that, on a fair view of the facts, I am entitled to the sympathetic understanding and confidence of the House and the country."

Twenty-seven Conservatives abstained, and Nigel Birch made a savage attack on the Prime Minister - "never glad confident morning again." Nevertheless, Macmillan survived.

Only July 25 he was able to announce to the end-of-term meeting of the 1922 Committee the initiating of the Test Ban Treaty. It was the fifth time that Macmillan had tried for a ban, and at last he succeeded. When the treaty was signed in October President Kennedy wrote him a letter. In it he said: "History will record your indispensable role in bringing about the limitation of nuclear testing: but I cannot let this moment pass without expressing to you my own keen appreciation of your signal contribution to world peace".

In spite of his repeated denials there were still many who believed that he would retire, and his future was a matter for speculation thoughout the recess. Although there were times during that summer when he was inclined to give up, for the events of 1963 had severely taxed his strength, in the end he decided to stay. But on October 8 he awoke in pain, and his doctor diagnosed a blocked prostate gland.

Later that evening he was told that he must undergo an operation, and it was announced that he would be absent from offical duties for some weeks, while Butler would be acting Prime Minister. Next day Macmillan announced his resignation.

From the ensuing confusion Lord Home emerged as the next Prime Minister and leader of the Conservative Party. Many will feel that Macmillan should have introduced a more rational and aboveboard method of choosing a Conservative leader, after the events of 1957.

He left the Commons the following year, at the same time refusing both an earldom and the Garter. He went back to being chairman of the family publishing house. Between 1966 and 1973 he published six monumental volumes of memoirs, as well as *Past Masters* (1975).

He was made an OM in 1976, and his belated acceptance of an earldom in 1984 caused mild surprise and some disappointment in view of his earlier disdain of such formal honours, which he had so freely dispensed for the purpose of buttressing his power.

Lady Dorothy Macmillan died in 1966. They had three daughters and one son, of whom two daughters survive.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord
Psalm 34 : 11

BIRTHS

ARNOLD - to Elizabeth and Tom on December 29th 1986 a daughter.

BROWNE - On 21st December 1986, at The West London Hospital to Sara (née Washington) and Chris, a son, William Benedict, a brother for Louis.

CAREY - on December 24th at Wexham Park Hospital. To Jenny (née Dick) and Peter, a son, Edward David, a brother for Joanna.

CARSLAKE - On 7th November, to Hugh and Helen a son, brother for Hilary, Thomas, William, Rosamond and John.

CHITTENDEN - On 26th December to Rosamund (née Collison) and Christopher, a daughter, Anna.

DARROCH-THOMPSON - On December 28th 1986, at St George's Hospital, to Claire (née Darroch of Gourock) and Matthew, a son, Duncan John, a brother for Celia.

EDMUNDS - On 19th December, to Elizabeth and Richard, a daughter, Mary Pamela.

GRANT - On December 18th 1986. To Nicola (née Savill) and Denzil, a daughter Charlotte Mary Maconochie, a sister for Alexandra and Diana.

HUGHES - On 28th December to Charlotte (nee Parry) and Jeremy, a son, Thomas Peter Jeremiah, a brother for Alice.

JENNINGS - On December 23rd at The West London Hospital to Susie and Charles, a son, Alistair Edward.

JONES - On 19th December, to Vanessa and Phillip, a daughter, Anna Leonora, a sister for Emma and Sara.

KELWAY- RASTOUIL - On December 25th, in Apt. France to Jill and Jacky, a son Benjamin, a brother for Thomas.

MACKINTOSH - On December 28th, to Jani and Colin, a daughter, Alice.

MAUDE - On December 26th, to Christina (née Hadfield) and Francis, a daughter, Julia Elizabeth Barbara.

MAYNE - On December 18th to Virginia (née Hall) and William, a daughter, Emily Alice Patricia, a sister for Henrietta and Thomas.

MELLOR - On 30th December to Sasha (nee Carter) and Peter, a daughter Susanna Madelaine, a sister for Nicholas.

MILNE - On December 30th at the Lindo Wing, St Mary's Hospital to Emma and Christopher a son.

OGLETHORPE - on December 29th 1986, to Judy (née Carter) and James, a son David Andrew Edward.

PARK - On 23rd December, at home, to Carol and Kevin, a daughter, Emily Clare Rachel, a sister for Robin.

PAUL - On 17th December to Claire (nee Barrowclough) and Nicholas, a daughter, Phoebe Henrietta, a sister for Flora.

PITHER - On 22nd December, to Jane (nee Roberts) and Charles, a daughter, Stephanie Jane Eleanor, a sister for Claire and Kate.

RAMAMURTHY - On 19th December 1986, at Westminster Hospital, to Janet (née Robinson) and Babloo, a daughter, Sarah.

THOMAS - On December 29th, to Annie (née Baker) and Moray, a daughter, Vanessa Kate Margaret, a sister for Jamie.

TI 'HERNE - On December 28th, to Annabelle (née Condy) and Rhodri, a daughter, Emma Louise.

WHITWORTH - On December 29th to Julie (née Miller) and Simon, a son, Lucas, a brother for Archie.

WYNDHAM - On December 27th in London, to Susan (née Woodall) and Harry, a son, Alexander.

DEATHS

AVERY - On December 26th 1986, peacefully in the Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, after a short illness, Major W.S Avery, late R.E.M.E. Cremation on Thursday 8th January at 3 pm at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium. Flowers to E.R Hickmott & Son, 41 Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells or if desired, donations to the Heart Foundation, 102 Gloucester Place, London W1H 4DH.

BEALE - On December 29th, peacefully at home after a lovely day, Peter Scott, Captain Royal Navy, dear love of Anne and beloved father and grand-father. The cremation service on Wednesday January 7th for family only. Thanks giving service Wednesday January 14th at 2.30 at St. Catharines Church, Holt, Trowbridge, Wilts.

BIRD - On December 28th at his home, Peter, Department Financial Director, South Western Electricity Board, and formerly of The South Eastern Electricity Board. Beloved husband of Margaret and father of Susan and Christopher. Funeral service Monday January 5th 11.00 am. at Weston-super-Mare Crematorium. Family flowers only please, but donations for the Marie Curie Memorial Foundation, maybe sent C/O Cooksley & Son, 1 Walliscote Road, Weston-super-Mare.

BLACK - On December 19th, Arthur Kenneth, dearly loved husband of Faith and father of Sarah and Nicola. Service at Tunbridge Wells crematorium at 11.am January 5th. No flowers. Donations to Mr & Mrs Lapage-Brown, 30a Greencroft Gardens, London, NW6.

BOILEAU - On 25th December 1986, peacefully at Bath after a years illness, Ivan Boileau, formerly Professor at Auckland University, Auckland, New Zealand. Loved husband of Barbara and father of Julian, Joanna and Janet. Cremation private.

BROWN - On December 26th, peacefully, Marion Elizabeth (née Carter), wife of the late Captain Stuart Brown R.N., much loved mother of Sally, Toby (Mervyn) and Bridget and grandmother of 12. Funeral private. Donations, if wished, to R.N. Benevolent Trust, High Street, Brompton, Gillingham, Kent. ME7 5QZ.

BRUNTON - On 27th December 1986, peacefully at home after a long illness, Harold. Funeral service at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead on Monday 5th January at 1.30pm. No letters please

BUJALSKI - On December 27th 1986, peacefully in hospital, Alexander aged 77 years of Leiston, Suffolk. Dearly beloved husband of Beatrice (formerly Major of the Polish air force). Funeral service at Ipswich Crematorium West Chapel on Monday January 5th 1987 at 2pm. By request no flowers please.

CARTER - On December 28th, peacefully at her home in Wareham, Ann Arabella (Araby), née McClintock, widow of Cyril Carter. Deeply loved and missed by her family and many friends. Funeral Service at Lady St. Mary Church, Wareham at 1 pm on Friday 2nd January to be followed by committal at Poole Crematorium at 2 pm. Family flowers only please but contributions to the N.S.P.C.C. or Gardener's Benevolent Society.

CHALKLEY - On December 27th, peacefully, at The Royal Star and Garter Home, Richmond, after a long illness borne with great courage, patience and humour, Cyril John Baron, dearly loved by his wife Anne, and children Jack and Katherine. Funeral service at Holy Trinity Church, Roehampton, SW15 on Tuesday January 6th 1.30, followed by cremation Friends welcome at the church. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired, to the Putney Samaritans, 106 Felsham Road, SW15. Enquiries to T H Sanders, Roehampton 01-789 6855

CLARKE - on December 28th 1986 peacefully at Queen Elizabeth II Hospital, Welwyn Garden City, Alfred William (Bill) OBE aged 87, one time Chairman of the Advisory Committee on the Courage of Dangerous Goods in Ships and also Central Rhine Commissioner. Dear husband of Gladys, father of Diana and Molly and grandfather of Christopher, Darryl, Lesley and Dominic. Cremation on 7th January 1987 at West Herts Crematorium, Garston at 1.00 pm: Family flowers only. Donations to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, PO Box 123, Lincolns Inn Fields, London WC2.

COLVILLE - On December 29th 1986, Kathleen Myrtle Dowager Viscountess Colville of Culross OBE., at Inverbervie, Kincardineshire, Scotland. Funeral Monday January 5th. Flowers and enquiries to J D Collier, Hallgreen House, Inverbervie (Telephone Inverbervie 0561 61305).

CURRAN - On December 29th 1986, peacefully at home, Harry Gibson Curran C.M.G., aged 85, of Fairmile House, St Mark's Avenue, Salisbury beloved husband of Betty. Funeral will be private. No flowers please.

CULLEN - On December 27th 1986, peacefully at his London home, John, aged 31, one of Britain's foremost lighting designers. Much loved only son of Phyllis and Jack, brother of Mary and Judith. Funeral Service at Mortlake crematorium, Monday 5th January at 12.30 pm. Cut white flowers or donations if desired to Cancer Research or The Middlesex Hospital. Flowers to J H Kenyon, 49 Marloes road, London W8. 01-937 0757.A thanks giving service is to be held at The Middlesex Hospital Chapel on Tuesday January the 6th at 11.00am

DAWKINS - On December 28th, peacefully at Kinnersley Castle, Beatrice Romney Dawkins, aged 85 years, widow of Reverend Frederick Vincent Dawkins. The Funeral Service, followed by interment, will be held at Weobley Parish Church on Friday January 2nd at 3pm. Floral tributes please to Dawe Bros, Westfaling Street, Hereford.

de HOLZER - On December 26 1986, suddenly, Doris (née Harker) aged 81 years. Loved sister and aunt. Cremation service, Friday January 2nd at 11.30am at Kettering Crematorium.

EASTON - On December 25th 1986, suddenly at home, 20 Grove Court, Dorchester, Elizabeth McDiarmid, aged 77 years, mother of Stewart and Gavin. Funeral service Dorchester United Church, Monday January 5th at 2 pm, followed by cremation at Weymouth Crematorium. No flowers please, donations for Arthritis Research, c/o Woods (Dorchester) Ltd, 11a Icen Way, Dorchester.

FOULKES - on December 29th 1986 in hospital after a stroke, Major General T H F Foulkes (Tom) late Royal Engineers. Darling husband of Delphine, loving father of Robert and Howard. Funeral, family only but donations may be sent to the Royal Engineers Benevolent Fund, Brompton Barracks, Chatham, Kent. Thanksgiving service to be announced in the Spring

FOX - On December 26 1986, peacefully at Bridport General Hospital, Mary Rose, aged 68 years of Bridport, younger daughter of Eve Fox and Lieutenant Commander Charles Leonard Fox R.N., Captain of H.M.S. Mary Rose, sister of the late Eleanor. Funeral Service on Monday January 5 1987 at St Mary's Church, Bridport at 1 pm followed by cremation at Weymouth. No flowers by request but donations for Cancer Research may be sent to A G Down Funeral Directors, 66 South Street, Bridport. Tel:(0308)22643.

FRAYLING - On 23rd December 1986, Bryan Edwin Frayling, O.B.E. C.B.E. Much beloved husband of Mary. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving at Flimwell Church, 12.00 noon on 4th January 1987. No flowers. Donations, if desired, to the League of Friends, Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital, c/o C Waterhouse & Sons, High Street, Burwash, East Sussex.

GARDNER — On December 21st suddenly but peacefully at home Alan James Gardner F.R.C.Psych. Funeral at Putney Vale Crematorium, SW15 on January 6th at 3pm. Flowers may be sent to F Paine, Funeral Directors, 6 Coombe Lane, Raynes Park, SW20. Donations if desired to R.S.P.B. Memorial service to be announced later.

GOLDSMITH - On December 27th 1986, peacefully in Gaulby, Leicestershire, after a very happy Christmas surrounded by family. Lotte, beloved mother of George, Brigitta and Rainer, and wife of the late Fritz Bernhard.

GWATKIN - On December 25th 1986, peacefully on Christmas day, Thomas Ley of Fownhope, Abereiddy, St Davids, Dyfed. Beloved husband of the late Sheila Rose and loved father of Geraldine and Fiona. Funeral LLanhrian Church at 11 am January 5th. Enquiries to G Price. Tel:(03483)344.

GOUGH - On 25th December 1986, William E Gough, at The Grange Nursing Home, Lytham St Annes aged 89 years, beloved husband of Marjorie. Funeral service at St Cuthberts church, Lytham, on Friday 2nd January at 12 noon, prior to cremation at Park crematorium, Lytham St Annes at 12.30 pm. Family flowers only please, donations in lieu, if so desired to The Hospice in the Fylde, 153/166 Devonshire Rd, Blackpool. Further enquiries please to J A Porter. Tel: 0253 736423.

HEATH - On December 27th, peacefully at home after a long illness, Frederick, aged 75, husband of Marjorie (nee Le Bosquet). Requiem Mass, 10.00 am, January 5th, St John's Catholic Church, Tadworth, Surrey.

HICKS - On December 27th 1986, peacefully and with courage at Derriford Hospital, Plymouth, Olivia Susan, aged 45 years, dearest wife of Roger and mother of Henrietta and Marcus. Funeral Service at St Dominick Parish Church, Cornwall, on Tuesday January 6th at 11 am. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to the League of Friends, Derriford Hospital, Plymouth.

KING - On December 26th 1986, peacefully after a long illness at Oakleigh Nursing Home, East Grinstead, William Alan, aged 80. Late of Hove. Will be sadly missed by his brother John and sister-in-law Christine. Funeral Service and cremation at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth on Friday January 2nd 1987 at 11.30 am. Flowers to F Brinkhurst & Son, Homelea, Lingfield Road, East Grinstead. Tel:(0342) 23092.

LEAVER - On December 26th, in Bexhill Hospital, Gladys Edith Sarah Leaver, M.B.E., dearly loved by her family and many friends. Funeral Service at St Barnabas Church, Bexhill-on-Sea on Tuesday January 6th at 1.30 pm followed by burial at Bexhill Cemetery. Floral tributes to Mummery F.D., 31 Devonshire Road, Bexhill-on-Sea or, if desired, donations to Raystede Centre for Animal Welfare, Ringmer, East Sussex.

LEDGER - On December 24th, Kathleen Margaret, aged 83 years. Much loved by all who knew her, peacefully in the Clarence Nursing Home, Tunbridge Wells. Funeral at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Tuesday 6th January at 3.00 pm. Family flowers only, but if desired donations to the Dorothy Kerin Nursing Home, Berrswood, Groombridge, Kent TN3 9PY.

LEWYS—LLOYD - On December 29th 1986, peacefully, Kathleen (Kitty), dearest wife of L W. Lewys-Lloyd, deeply mourned by family and friends. Funeral service at Caldy Church, Wirral, 1.30pm, Friday January 2nd. Family flowers only please.

MacDOUGALL - On 27th December 1986, suddenly at Harefield Hospital, London, Christine (née MacRae) M.B., C.H.B., in her 87th year. Last surviving member of the family of the late Alexander and Zella MacRae, Upper Ardelve, Lochalsh. Beloved wife of the late Donald MacDougall and much loved and supporting mother of John and Zella and grandmother of Donald, Alexander and Eleanor. Funeral Service on Wednesday 31st December at 2 pm from Ardelve's Free Church, thereafter, to Clachanduich Churchyard. All friends respectfully invited. Memorial Service to give thanks for her life and work will be held in Ruislip, Middlesex on a date to be announced.

MARSHALL - On December 26th, suddenly, Florence Edith Emma. Funeral Tuesday January 6th at West Stoke Church, Chichester at 2.30pm. Flowers and enquiries to Edward White & Son, 5 South Pallant, Chichester. Tel. 782136.

NOTT - On December 25th 1986, Winifred Grace, M.B.B.Ch, aged 90. Honorary Fellow of B.M.A. Latterly of Stoke Bishop, last survivor of 10 children of Louis and Mary Nott. A Service of Thanksgiving to God for the gracious life of a Christian witness and loving care as a Medical Practitioner, in Bristol, for very many years will be held at Westbury-on-Trym Baptist Church, Reedley Road, Bristol on Friday January 2nd 1987 at 2 pm, followed by interment at Canford Cemetery.

PAGE - On 26th December 1986 at her home, 1 Clare Terrace, Falmouth, Cornwall, after a long illness, Joan Newton, beloved wife of the late Major Frank F B Page. Funeral Service at Penmount Crematorium, Truro on Monday the 5th of January at 2 pm. Flowers and enquiries to The Funeral Directors, W J Angove & Sons, 28 Wellington Terrace, Falmouth. Tel:(0326) 312576.

PARKER - On 25th December, suddenly at his home at Bobingdon Green, Herts. Arthur Sidney, beloved husband of Joan, treasured brother of Frank and very dear uncle. Great uncle and Godfather. Cremation at Chilterns crematorium, Amersham, Wednesday January 7th at 2.00pm. Please, no flowers but if desired donations maybe sent to King Edward The VII Hospital for Officers, 6 Buckingham place, London SW1E 6HR.

PERTWEE - on December 28th, tragically in a motor cycle accident in Adelaide Australia, Nicholas aged 19, youngest son of Christopher and Carole. Private cremation. Memorial service to be arranged.

RORATHAN - On December 26th, peacefully, The Reverend Canon Frederick Norman O.B.E., M.A., Hon C.F.(1st class) of Mevagissey, Cornwall, a beloved father and grandfather. Funeral at Truro Cathedral on Friday January 2nd, at 2.30 pm, followed by cremation. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu for the Mount Edgcumbe Hospice, Porthpean Rd, St Austell, Cornwall, may be sent to the Bursar.

ROUSE - On December 27th, Kathleen Dorothy Rouse of Patterdale, West Byfleet. Cremation at St Johns' crematorium, near Woking on 5th January at 2 o' clock. No flowers, but donations if desired to Guide Dogs for the Blind.

SCHUNKER - On December 25th 1986, peacefully in hospital, Desmond George Anthony, age 60 years, of Hadlow, Tonbridge, Kent. Beloved husband of Patricia, father of Dominic and Adam. Funeral serivce on Tuesday January 6th 1987 at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium at 11.30 am. All flowers and enquiries please to Francis Chappell & Sons, 10 Quarry Hill Road, Tonbridge, Kent. Tel: 0732 363741

SHALE - On December 26th 1986, in hospital, Brian, dearly beloved husband of Val, devoted father of Steven, dear brother of Mavis. Service at St John's Church, Henley-in-Arden on Friday January 2nd at 1.15 pm followed by private interment. Family flowers only but donations if wished may be sent to Mrs Sheila Nicholson, Nico's Folly, Edge Lane, Henley-in-Arden, Solihull, West Midlands for the Henley Evergreen's.

STORRS - On December 28th, at home in Woodmancote, Cheltenham, Sylvia (nee Peters), beloved wife of Sam. Funeral at Cheltenham Crematorium on Monday January 5th at 2pm. Family flowers only please.

SUTTON - On December 29th, peacefully at Fairlie House, West Norwood, Mary Winifred, aged 94 years, much loved by her sister, four generations of her family and her many friends. Cremation at Streatham Vale Crematorium, Rowan Road, SW16, on Friday January 2, 1987 at 11.45am. Flowers to A Smith, 122 Southwark Bridge Road, SE1, or if preferred, donations to the Royal National Institute For The Blind.

TAYLOR - On December 30th 1986, peacefully after a long illness, Nigel Julian Taylor LDS, RCS (Eng), BDS (U Lon) aged 42 years. Funeral Service Sissinghurst Church, Monday January 5th at 12 noon. Flowers and enquiries to K B Sills, Funeral Directors, Cranbrook. (712284).

THOMASON - On December 23rd peacefully at home Reginald Harold aged 87. Fond Father and Grandfather. Funeral service at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 7th January. Flowers to James Thomas, Mill Road, Cobham, Surrey.

TOMPKINS - On December 27th, after a short illness, Joyce Marjorie Saunder Tompkins D.Lit, in her 90th year, late reader in English at Royal Holloway College, greatly missed by all her many relatives, friends and colleagues. Funeral at 3 pm on Friday January 2nd at St Johns Crematorium, Woking. Family flowers only to Woking Funeral Services, Goldsworth Rd, Woking. Donations if desired to The British Diabetics Society.

VAN-DEN-BERGH Norah Gilbert, peacefully, at The Hall, Thornton Dale, on December 26th 1986 aged 92 years. Loving mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. Funeral, private, at York Crematorium, on Friday January 2nd at 9 am. No flowers, donations to the Chest Heart and Stroke Association, Tavistock House, North Tavistock Square, London WC1.

WADDELL - On December 29th, Rosemary, peacefully at home. Dearly loved mother of Nigel, Paul, Neil and Catherine, and wife of David. Funeral, family only. Memorial service on February 14th at Felstead School Chapel at 3pm. Family flowers only. Donations to Chelmsford Hospice Fund, 212, London Road, Chelmsford.

WALTON - On December 29th, peacefully at Farnborough Hospital, after a long illness, Derek, William, of Bromley Common, beloved husband of Angela and dear father of Tim and Sarah. Funeral service on Tuesday, January 6th, at Beckenham Crematorium, at 4pm. Flowers and enquiries to Francis Chappell & Sons, 332 Crofton Road, Farnborough, Kent. Tel: (0689) 53277. Memorial service to be held later.

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WILLETT - On December 25th 1986, suddenly at his son's home, Uppingham Rectory, Rutland, Harry Leslie, O.B.E., F.Eng., D.Sc., aged 76, husband of Jane and father of John. Funeral Requiem at Uppingham Parish Church, on Monday January 5th at 11 am, followed by private cremation.

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WRIGHT - On December 27th, at East Molesey, Surrey, aged 82, Lorna Emmeline, eldest daughter of the late F Arnold Wright, and sister of the late C Arnold Wright.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

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No. 004448 of 1986
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MR. JUSTICE HOFFMAN (for the Honourable Mr Justice Mervyn Davies)
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IN THE MATTER OF
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and
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

Notice is hereby given that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 8 December 1986 confirming the cancellation of the Share Premium Account of the above-named Company was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 18 December 1986

Dated this 19th day of December 1986
Ashurst Morris Crisp
of Broadgate House, 7 Eldon Street
London EC2M 7HD
Solicitors for the above named Company

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CLUB LEYTON LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)
THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

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N. Cowan
Liquidator

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Government puts more money into Aids treatment

By Jill Sherman

The Government is to allocate more money for the care and treatment of Aids victims, the numbers of which are doubling roughly every ten months.

The extra money, expected to be announced during the next two weeks by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, will go towards clinical care and counselling for Aids patients and people with the Aids-related virus, HIV.

Yesterday a spokesman for the Department of Health said that the money would be in addition to the allocations for health authorities announced before Christmas.

Health authorities, particularly those in the London area, have faced spiralling costs due to the increase in the number of Aids patients. Although the Government recently announced an injection of £20 million for its public education campaign, it has so far given little extra money for victims of the disease.

In 1985, the three London regional health authorities which dealt with the majority of Aids cases were given a total of £680,000. This year, the same regions – North-East, North-West and South-East Thames – were given a total of almost £3m.

Next year, all health authorities are expecting a much bigger allocation.

Mr Colin Reeves, assistant director of finance for the North-West Thames region, said that the Riverside district health authority in West London, which treats at least half the region's Aids patients, is about to put in a bid for £3 million revenue money and £1 million capital for 1987/88. This year it submitted a bid for £1.5 million in total but was only allocated £500,000.

The Paddington and North Kensington health authority, which contains St Mary's Hospital, where many of the country's 599 cases have been treated, is calling for substantially more than the £500,000 it got this year.

Health economists have estimated that the cost of treating and caring for an Aids victim is about £20,000 per patient.

Politicians honoured in new year's list

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knighthoods since she became prime minister.

The list contains 54 names who have received political honours, the large majority eminent figures in the Conservative Party organization across the country. Six are Liberals recommended by the Prime Minister after consultation with Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader. As usual Mr Neil Kinnock made no recommendations.

In the business world Sir Terence Beckett, former director general of the CBI, is made a KBE. Mr Dennis Landau, chief executive of the Co-operative Wholesale Society and Mr David Scholey, chairman of Mercury International also receive knighthoods.

Other awards include a DBE for Miss Sheila Quinn, former president of the Royal College of Nursing, and a knighthood for Mr Peter Newsam, chairman of the Commission for Racial Equality.

Thatcher says British pride back in fashion

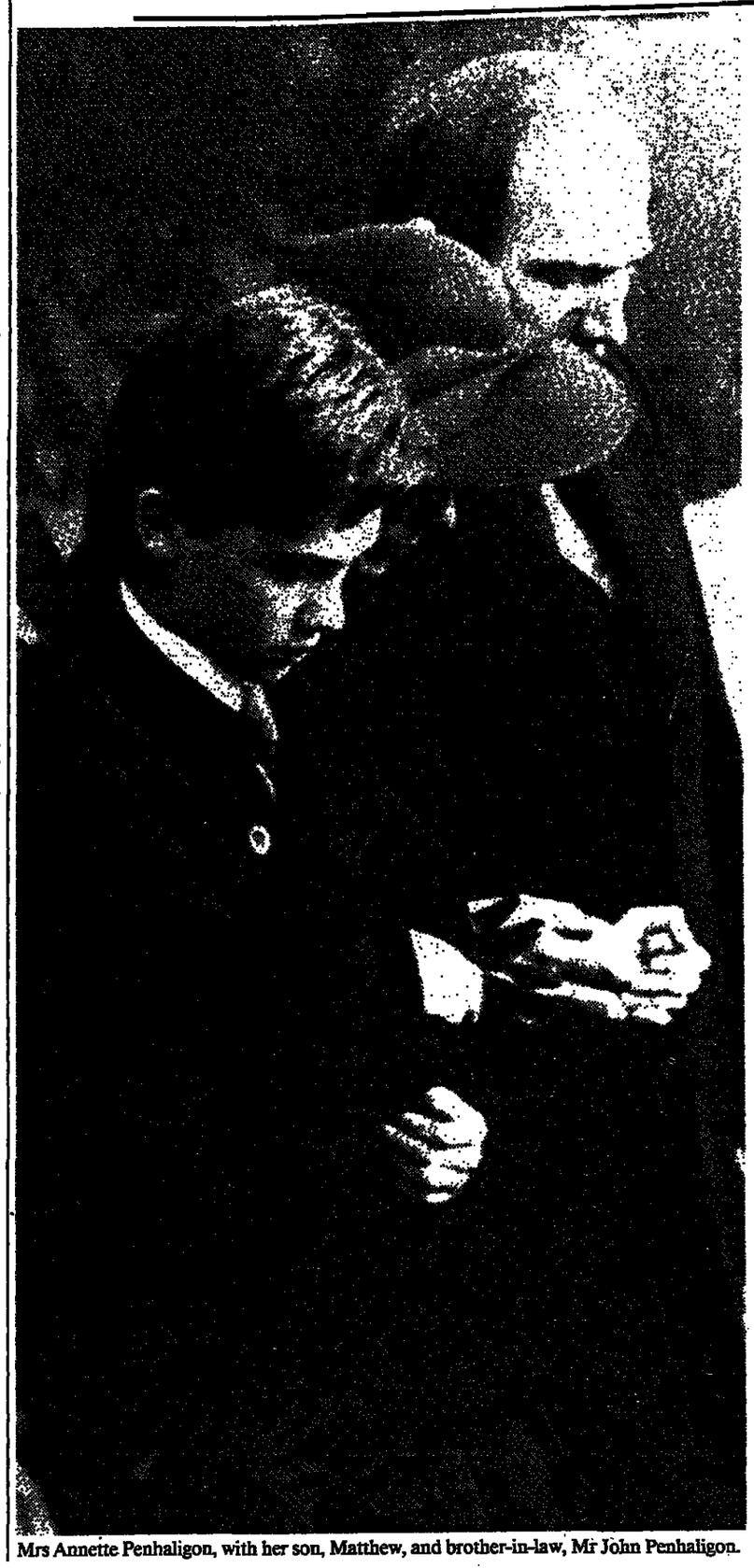
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the "steady successes" of the 1980s.

Mr Kinnock again took the nuclear defence argument head-on. One of the six choices he highlighted as facing the nation was whether Britain "pays to keep up nuclear pretence or invests its resources properly in real defence."

The others were whether Britian was to be a modern manufacturing country or a warehouse economy; whether it employed people and capital to maximum advantage or surrendered to a future of mass unemployment; whether it strived for modern standards of pensions and health care or settled for second rate; whether it was to be a country of opportunity for women as well as men, black as well as white, disabled as well as fit or a place where the talents and needs of millions continued to be ignored because of prejudice and penny-pinching; and whether it was to be a united, productive and just nation or a split society, divided stagnant and unfair.

Cornwall mourns the death of Penhaligon, MP



Mrs Annette Penhaligon, with her son, Matthew, and brother-in-law, Mr John Penhaligon.

Liberal leader weeps at funeral

By Howard Foster

Mr David Penhaligon, the Liberal MP, was buried yesterday on a hillside close to his home town of Truro. A Cornishman born and bred, the funeral service reflected his strong ties with the West Country constituency he represented for 12 years until his death in a car accident three days before Christmas.

Extra seating was installed to accommodate 300 family and friends, including Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, and Mr Roy Jenkins, of the SDP, who crowded into the tiny Victorian church of All Hallows St Kea where Mr Penhaligon was married 18 years ago.

His widow, Annette, who wanted to acknowledge the Cornish element of her husband's life, chose the local hymn, *Will Your Anchor Hold*, to open the service.

The wind and rain that had lashed the granite church gave way to sunshine as the cortege arrived to the sound of muffled bells.

The choir, in red surplices, led the procession, followed by Mrs Penhaligon, who was flanked by her son Matthew, aged 14, and brother-in-law, John. Her daughter, Anna, aged nine, remained at home.

Although the family had requested that wreaths and flowers be sent by relatives and friends only, the ivy-coloured lychgate of the church was filled with tributes to a man whom the world will remember for his rich Cornish accents and irrepressible sense of humour.

A message attached to one wreath read: "They must have had trouble at the pearly gates, mechanical and political, to call you away so soon". Mr Penhaligon never tired of telling his political colleagues that he was a qualified engineer as well as a Member of Parliament.

A wreath from his mother, Sadie, aged 73, read: "The growth of the oak trees you have planted will continue to grow giving strength to us who have known and loved you, Mum".

The vicar, the Rev Robert Redrup, a family friend, reminded the mourners of Mr Penhaligon's legendary exuberance.

"My mind goes back often to a garden party a couple of years ago. Every one was crowding around the dart board. David and his opponent were each trying to outdo the other. The hilarity and laughter and cheers that came out of everybody . . . David was a man who was always full of laughter and fun," he said.

Mr Steel, who wept behind the coffin as it was carried to the graveyard about 40 yards from the side entrance of the church, said: "David Penhaligon's death was a tragedy which was felt throughout the nation by people who weren't necessarily of his political persuasion but who valued his honesty, his humour and his common sense.

"He will be sadly missed, not just by his family and friends, but by politics in general, which is the poorer for his passing."

Dr David Owen, the SDP leader, was unable to attend the funeral because of back trouble. But a number of Liberal and SDP party figures were in attendance, including Mr Alan Beith, the Liberal deputy leader, and Mr David Alton, Liberal chief whip.

Mr John Pardoe, former MP for Cornwall North, who is mooted as a front runner to take Mr Penhaligon's seat, denied yesterday that he would contest the candidacy. It is thought that Mrs Penhaligon, who has also been suggested as a candidate, will not apply for the job because of her commitment to her children.

In her absence, one of the safest Liberal seats in Britain could be inherited by Mr Paul Tyler, the former MP for Bodmin, who also attended the funeral.

Local people, who respected the family's wish for a private service, will attend a memorial service in Truro Cathedral at 2pm on Saturday, January 10.

Mr Steel, Mrs Penhaligon and Mr Julian Williams, the Independent chairman of Cornwall County Council, have been appointed trustees of the David Penhaligon Memorial Trust, which will aim to help Cornish people.



Mr David Steel and his wife leaving All Hallows St Kea.



Mr Roy Jenkins at the funeral service.



Mr Penhaligon, "a man full of laughter and fun".

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Last chance to see

Exhibition of paintings, sketches and etchings by Alexander Charles-Jones, Charlie Mackesy and Harold Sayer; Niccol Centre, Brewery Crt, Cirencester; 9.30 to 4.30.

Original gifts by British craftsmen; Godfrey & Twatt, Contemporary Crafts, 7 Westminster Arcade, Parliament St, Harrogate; 10 to 5.30.

Second exhibition of staff and student prints from the Royal College, Royal Academy and the Slade School; Symondsbury School of Art, Bridport; 10 to 4.

Scunthorpe - 50 years a borough; Scunthorpe Museum and Art Gallery, Oswald Rd; 10 to 5.

The Elements, represented by sculpture, paintings, photography and videos; Milton Keynes exhibition gallery, 555 Silbury Boulevard; 9.30 to 6.

Paintings, ceramics and jewellery by Rosemary Lowndes, Elizabeth Raeburn and Catherine Mannheim; Oxford Gallery, 22 High St; 10 to 5.

Music

Terry Lightfoot and his Jazzband; Winter Garden, Eastbourne; 8.30 to 12.30.

Blues De-Luxe at Jazz 32, Earl St, Maidstone, Kent; 8.30.

General

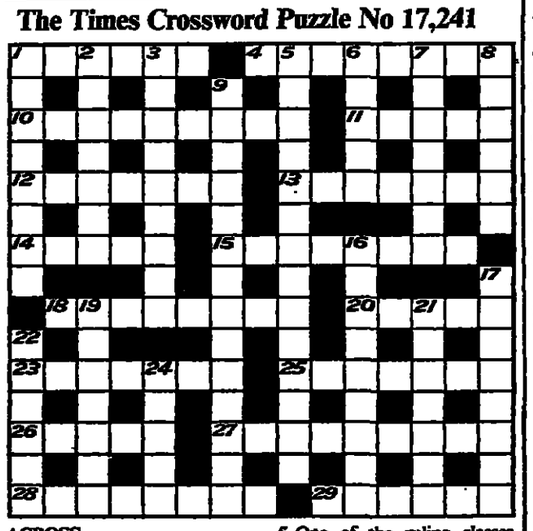
Torchlight procession, commencing with a service in Ripon Cathedral, and celebrations on the Market Place to mark the close of the Ripon 1100 festival year; The Cathedral; be seated by 11.

Pinocchio; Gateshead International Stadium, Neilson Rd; 2.

Christmas night planetarium watch programme; 1.15, 2.15, 3.15; Mayer Guided Tours; 1.30 and 2.30; Liverpool Museum, William Brown St, Liverpool.

Fantastic Mr Fox; Gardner Arts Centre, Sussex University, Falmer, Brighton; 2.30.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,241



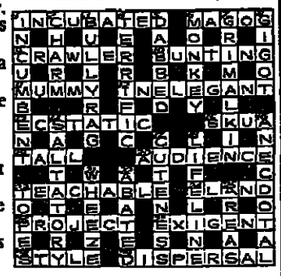
ACROSS

1 Way to get extra, say? Can't answer that (6).
4 Exchange employee for one in the theatre (8).
10 Her hundred and two articles are about Ireland (9).
11 The snake featured in Korda's pictures (5).
12 Miserable old soldiers rejected this dance (7).
13 Not in a state to accept business pay-off (7).
14 Murdered man found beside Egyptian tree (5).
15 Latin? No, a different subject (8).
18 Standard weapon, in a manner of speaking (8).
20 Jack has a vessel to varnish (5).
23 A security organization capable of being friendly (7).
25 Even California shortly may be a segregated area (7).
26 Game has directions, albeit imprecise (5).
27 Around the Styx, say, they're provided for suckers (9).
28 Time turned back so by a nymph (8).
29 Closed securely, but once contained drink (6).

DOWN

1 Encourage bird's impudent repartee (8).
2 Shoot – and get a mess like this? (7).
3 Plant fittingly chosen as base for expedition (9).
5 One of the ruling classes equal to 15 (4,2,3,5).
6 Expose to heat, as in hill-climbing (5).
7 Apricot not right with a batter pudding (7).
8 Reprimand for a high-flyer (6).
9 Uncomfortable feeling in legs – and mostly unnecessary (4,3,7).
16 Article I possess in this case (9).
17 One in Paris rarely wrote poems, being without skill (8).
19 Too fat, surely, to be a girl model (7).
21 Bird finds seed revolting, by the sound of it (7).
22 Dish for father and daughter, possibly? (6).
24 Church worker seen first as supplier of pig food (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,240



Concise Crossword page 9
The Times Jumbo Crossword will appear tomorrow

Books – biography and history

The Literary Editor's selection of biography and history of the year:
Between the Woods and the Water, by Patrick Leigh Fermor (John Murray, £13.95)
Coasting, by Jonathan Raban (Collins Harvill, £10.95)
Gilbert White, by Richard Mabey (Century Hutchinson, £14.95)
G. K. Chesterton, by Michael Ffinch (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £16)
Homage to QWERTY UIOP, by Anthony Burgess (Hutchinson, £19.95)
Pagans and Christians, by Robin Lane Fox (Viking, £17.95)
Road to Victory: Winston S. Churchill 1941-1945, by Martin Gilbert (Heinemann, £20)
Some Small Harvest, by Glyn Daniel (Thames & Hudson, £12.95)
Sound-Shadows of the New World, by Ved Mehta (Collins, £15)
The Dictionary of National Biography 1971-1980, edited by Lord Blake and C. S. Nicholls (Oxford, £60) PH

Travel guide

British Rail

New Year's Eve: Normal service except some peak hour and late evening trains will not run. There will be no overnight trains except for Irish Mail boat trains to and from Holyhead. A Saturday service operates on Merseyrail and in Scotland the last trains will be running before 10 pm.

New Year's Day: Normal service starting about 8 am with some alterations. There is no service in Scotland, or local trains in NE England, and InterCity trains will not run north of Carlisle or Newcastle; Sunday service operates on Merseyrail and there is a special service on the Manchester Victoria to Southport and Manchester Oxford Road to Chester lines.

January 2: Normal service except some peak hour trains will not run, Saturday service operates on Merseyrail and on the Manchester Victoria to Bury line.

London Transport

New Year's Eve and January 2: Most bus services will run to Saturday timetables.

New Year's Day: Buses and Underground will run to Sunday timetables.

On New Year's Eve travel on London buses and Underground will be free after 11.45 pm.

Roads

London and the South-east: A2: Contraflow on the London-bound carriageway at Barham crossroads, Kent. A120: Roundabout construction along Stortford Rd, Gt Dunmow, Essex.

The Midlands: A43: Diversions due to roadworks at Brackley on Northampton to Oxford rd.

The North: M1: Delays between junctions 31 and 33 (A57 Worksop/A630 Rotherham). M6: Roadworks at junction 23 (Merseyside) and contraflow between junctions 29 and 32 (A6 Preston/M55).

Wales and the west: M5: Lane closures due to roadworks at Avon/Somerset border. A38: Delays between Exeter and Plymouth due to lane closures in both directions at Haldon Hill.

Scotland: A77: Single line traffic with temporary lights N of Ballantyre on Glasgow to Ayr rd.

A92/A978: Restrictions due to roundabout construction between King St and St Machar Drive, Aberdeen.

Information supplied by AA

Tourist boards

Who's Who of British Tourist Boards has been published by the British Tourist Authority. It sets out the responsibilities, main activities and principal publications of the regional boards and of the statutory tourist boards. It also lists BTA's overseas offices.

Who's Who of British Tourist Boards is available free from George Horton, BTA, 4 Bromells Rd, London SW4 OBJ.

Help with heating

Help with Heating, a factsheet published by Age Concern England, gives information on fuel problems and how best to handle them.

It outlines the financial help available to elderly people on housing or supplementary benefit and also details how to apply for insulation and draught-proofing grants.

It gives advice on what to do when threatened with disconnection, and lists addresses for further information.

Help with Heating, is available free with a stamped addressed envelope from the Information and Policy Department, Age Concern England, 60 Pitcairn Road, Mitcham, Surrey, CR4 3LL.

New Year calls

Cheap-rate local, national and most international calls will be available in England, Wales and Northern Ireland from 6 pm today to 8 am January 2.

In Scotland the reductions will run to 8 am Monday, January 5.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.29	2.17
Austria Sch	21.00	19.80
Belgium Fr	62.80	59.20
Canada $	2.09	2.00
Denmark Kr	11.27	10.67
Finland Mkk	7.49	6.99
France Fr	9.80	9.30
Germany Dm	2.98	2.81
Greece Dr	236	216
Hong Kong $	11.70	11.20
Ireland Pt	1.10	1.04
Italy Lira	2058	1960
Japan Yen	247	233
Netherlands Gld	3.355	3.175
Norway Kr	11.35	10.75
Portugal Esc	223	211
South Africa Rd	6.00	4.00
Spain Pta	209	190
Sweden Kr	10.38	9.83
Switzerland Fr	2.49	2.35
USA $	1.53	1.46
Yugoslavia Dnr	820	720

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 391.7

London: The *FT* index closed up 1.5 at 1308.6.

Anniversaries

Births: Charles Edward Stuart, 'Bonnie Prince Charlie', 1720; Giovanni Pascoli, poet, 1855; Henri Matisse, painter, 1869.

Deaths: John Flamsteed, first astronomer royal, 1719; Gustave Courbet, painter, 1877; Sir Malcolm Campbell, land and water speed record breaker, 1948.

Portfolio Gold

Portfolio – how to play
Monday-Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.
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The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

WEATHER

A frontal trough over northern Scotland will move slowly N as another depression approaches southern Britain. In central and northern Scotland it will be rather cold with rain at times and over high ground sleet or snow is likely: mainly dry weather will spread slowly from the S. Over the rest of Britain there will be broken cloud and scattered showers with sleet or snow on northern hills: in southern parts of England and Wales rain may become more persistent later. Temperatures will be a little above the seasonal average. Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Colder with showers or longer periods of rain. Snow on northern hills. Overnight frost.

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM HT	PM HT
London Bridge	1.23 6.7	1.45 6.9
Aberdeen	12.50 4.3	1.09 4.4
Avonmouth	7.03 13.1	7.30 13.0
Belfast	10.40 3.7	11.06 3.5
Cardiff	6.48 12.0	7.15 12.0
Devonport	5.38 5.5	6.11 5.4
Dover	10.42 6.5	11.19 6.6
Falmouth	5.08 5.3	5.41 5.2
Glasgow	12.04 4.8	12.34 4.9
Harwich	11.40 3.9	- -
Holyhead	10.02 5.7	10.31 5.8
Hull	6.03 7.3	6.24 7.3
Ilfracombe	5.39 9.1	6.07 9.2
Leith	2.07 5.5	2.29 5.5
Liverpool	10.59 9.5	11.27 9.4
Lowestoft	9.07 2.5	9.24 2.5
Margate	11.44 4.7	- -
Milford Haven	5.58 7.0	6.27 7.0
Newquay	4.49 7.0	5.17 7.0
Oban	5.36 4.1	6.02 3.9
Penzance	4.34 5.6	5.07 5.5
Portland	6.50 2.3	7.21 2.2
Portsmouth	11.11 4.7	11.45 4.7
Shoreham	10.52 6.3	11.29 6.3
Southampton	10.34 4.5	11.11 4.5
Swansea	6.04 9.6	6.32 9.5
Tees	3.21 5.4	3.38 5.6
W'ton-on-Nze	11.32 4.2	11.57 4.1

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.28ft.

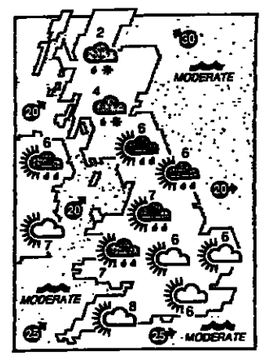
AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	-	.19	9	48	rain
Bridlington	-	.11	11	52	cloudy
Cromer	-	-	-	-	-
Lowestoft	0.3	-	11	52	cloudy
Clacton	1.5	-	10	50	cloudy
Southend	1.1	-	11	52	dull
Margate	-	-	11	52	bright
Folkestone	0.8	-	11	52	rain
Hastings	0.2	-	11	52	cloudy
Eastbourne	0.1	-	11	52	cloudy
Brighton	-	-	9	48	cloudy
Worthing	0.4	-	11	52	rain
Littlehmptn	0.1	-	11	52	cloudy
Bognor R	0.2	-	11	52	cloudy
Southsea	0.7	.02	11	52	cloudy
Sandown	0.9	-	11	52	bright
Shanklin	0.1	.02	11	52	cloudy
Bournemth	-	.01	11	52	drizzle
Poole	-	.02	12	54	dull
Swanage	-	.06	11	52	shower
Weymouth	-	-	11	52	dull
Exmouth	0.5	.02	12	54	cloudy
Teignmouth	2.2	.01	12	54	cloudy
Torquay	0.9	.04	12	54	bright
Falmouth	-	-	12	54	dull
Penzance	0.5	.01	12	54	cloudy
Scilly Isles	0.3	-	11	52	bright
Jersey	1.0	-	12	54	cloudy
Guernsey	0.6	-	12	54	cloudy
Newquay	-	-	12	54	cloudy
Ilfracombe	-	.20	11	52	rain
B'pool Airpt	0.1	.20	9	48	rain
Morecambe	-	.24	9	48	rain
Douglas	-	.18	11	52	rain
B'ham Airpt	1.1	-	11	52	shower
Bristol (Cnl)	0.3	.01	11	52	sowers
Carlisle	-	.44	8	46	rain
London	0.1	-	11	52	cloudy
Manchester	0.6	.04	11	52	rain
N'cstl-n-Tyne	-	.49	8	46	rain
Nottingham	0.1	.01	10	50	rain
Anglesey	-	.07	10	50	rain
Cardiff (Cnl)	-	.06	10	50	rain
Colwyn Bay	-	.03	13	55	cloudy
Tenby	-	.22	11	52	rain
Aberdeen	-	-	4	39	cloudy
Edinburgh	-	.23	4	39	rain
Eskdalemuir	-	.35	5	41	rain
Glasgow	-	.50	4	39	sleet
Kinloss	-	.06	4	39	cloudy
Lerwick	0.6	.04	4	39	hail
Prestwick	-	.54	5	41	rain
Stornoway	-	.04	5	41	cloudy
Tiree	-	.50	3	37	rain
Wick	-	.06	4	39	shower
Belfast	-	.11	10	50	rain

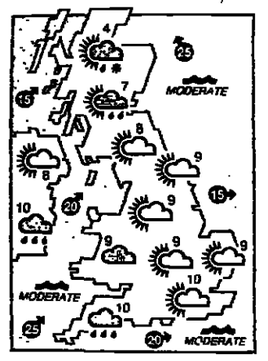
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PM



LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 4.31 pm to 7.36 am
Bristol 4.41 pm to 7.46 am
Edinburgh 4.18 pm to 8.14 am
Manchester 4.29 pm to 7.55 am
Penzance 4.59 pm to 7.51 am

Sun rises: 8.06 am Sun sets: 4.01 pm
Moon rises 9.09 am Moon sets 3.56 pm
New moon 3.10 am

LONDON

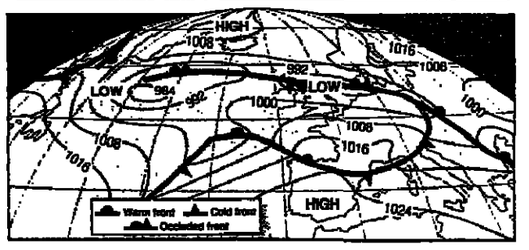
Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 11C (52F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 11C (52F)
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1,000 millibars=29.53in.

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	c	9	48	Guernsey	r	10	50
B'mngham	r	11	52	Inverness	c	4	39
Blackpool	c	10	50	Jersey	r	10	50
Bristol	r	11	52	London	r	11	52
Cardiff	r	10	50	M'chester	c	10	50
Edinburgh	r	5	41	Newcastle	r	6	43
Glasgow	r	4	39	R'nldsway	r	10	50

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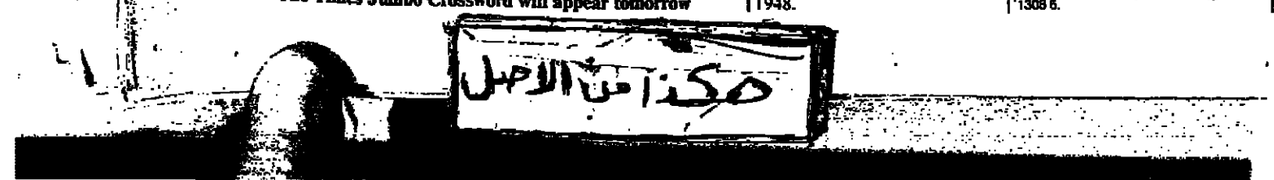


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MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

	C	F		C	F		C	F
Ajaccio	c	13	55	Cologne	r	9	48	Majorca	s	15	59	Rome	s	12	54
Akrotiri	s	15	59	C'phagn	s	0	32	Malaga	s	14	57	Salzburg	c	7	45
Alex'dria	f	16	61	Corfu	f	14	57	Malta	c	14	57	S F'risco*	f	9	48
Algiers	s	17	63	Dublin	r	11	52	Melb'rne	f	35	95	Santiago*	s	30	86
Amst'dm	r	9	48	Dubrovnik	c	12	54	Mexico C				S Paulo*	c	21	70
Athens	s	16	61	Faro	s	16	61	Miami*	f	23	73	Seoul	r	2	36
Bahrain	s	21	70	Florence	c	6	46	Milan	s	6	43	Sing'por	f	29	84
Barbados*	s	28	82	Frankfurt	r	8	46	Montreal*	c	1	34	St'holm - sn		10	14
Barcelna	s	10	50	Funchal	c	17	63	Moscow - sn		13	9	Strasb'rg	f	9	48
Beirut				Geneva	s	6	43	Munich	c	9	48	Sydney	s	25	77
Belgrade	s	13	55	Gibraltar	s	14	57	Nairobi	f	25	77	Tangier	f	17	63
Berlin	r	4	39	Helsinki	sn	-8	18	Naples	f	14	57	Tel aviv	f	15	59
Bermuda*	s	20	68	Hong K	f	20	68	N Delhi	s	18	64	Tenerife	s	21	70
Biarritz	f	12	54	Innsbruck	f	6	43	N York*	f	4	39	Tokyo	s	11	52
Borde'x	s	11	52	Istanbul	s	11	52	Nice	c	9	48	Toronto*	c	1	34
Boul'ne				Jeddah	s	25	77	Oslo	s	11	12	Tunis	f	14	57
Brussels	r	9	48	Jo'burg*	f	19	66	Paris	c	10	50	Valencia	s	15	59
Budapst	r	7	45	Karachi	c	21	70	Peking				Vanc'ver	r	10	50
B Aires*	s	29	84	L Palmas	s	20	68	Perth	f	23	73	Venice	s	5	41
Cairo	f	16	61	Lisbon	fg	8	46	Prague	sn	0	32	Vienna	s	10	50
Cape Tn	s	22	72	Locarno	s	8	46	Reykjvik	s	-2	28	Warsaw	f	-1	30
C'blanca	s	12	54	L Angels*	s	19	66	Rhodes	s	13	55	Wash'ton*	s	4	39
Chicago*	c	0	32	Luxemb'g	d	6	43	Rio de J	c	23	73	Wel'nton	c	14	57
Ch'church	c	12	54	Madrid	s	5	41	Riyadh	s	26	78	Zurich	f	8	46

* denotes Monday's figures are latest available



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WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 31 1986

Executive Editor
Kenneth Fleet

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1308.6 (+1.5)

FT-SE 100
1673.1 (+1.5)

Bargains
25720 (22827)

USM (Datastream)
130.65 (+0.19)

THE POUND

US Dollar
1.4690 (+0.0010)

W German mark
2.8601 (+0.0078)

Trade-weighted
69.0 (+0.1)

US leading indicators rise 1.2%

The US index of leading indicators, the government's main barometer of economic trends, rose a healthy 1.2 per cent in November after a revised 0.5 per cent increase in October, the Commerce Department said yesterday.

The index, which measures a wide spectrum of economic activity, foreshadows the economy's performance in three to six months' time.

The department had previously said the index rose 0.6 per cent in October. The November increase was the largest since January 1985 when the index rose 1.3 per cent, and matched gains of 1.2 per cent in April 1986 and December 1985.

Hillsdown in £8.5m buy

Hillsdown Holdings, the acquisitive food manufacturing to furniture company, is buying Forrest Hodgkinson Holdings for about £8.5 million.Forrest made taxable profits of £860,000 in the year to June 30. The company, which produces animal by-products and high-quality tallows, meat and bone meal, had net assets of £7.95 million.

$1m contract

A $1 million (£685,000) contract has been placed with Butterley Engineering of Ripley, Derbyshire, to supply a 1,500-ton bunker for the Bethlehem Mines Corporation

Siebe buy

Siebe, the engineering group, is stepping up its expansion plans in the United States. It is paying £19.6 million for W.H. Salisbury of Chicago, Illinois, which makes high voltage electrical safety equipment. Salisbury made profits of £2.5 million on turnover of £12.8 million last year.

Forecast lifted

Fothergill & Harvey, the advanced materials processor, has forecast second-half pretax profits 23 per cent higher, making a total of £2.7 million for the year. It also forecasts an 11 per cent rise in the total dividend to 9.75p and again urges shareholders to reject the £28.2 million bid from Courtaulds.

ITT $3bn deal

The ITT Corporation is to transfer its telecommunications operations to a joint venture with the French Compagnie Générale d'Electricité for $1.25 billion (£852 million) in cash including repayment of intra-company debt and a 37 per cent interest in the new company valued at $1.6 billion.

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MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York
Dow Jones ..... 1904.67 (–7.45)*
Tokyo
Nikkei Dow ..... Closed
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng ..... 2559.36 (+6.91)
Amsterdam: Gen ..... 278.4 (–1.1)
Sydney: AO ..... 1470.2 (+2.7)
Frankfurt:
Commerzbank ..... 2048.4 (–2.6)
Brussels:
General ..... 4095.61 (+14.10)
Paris: CAC ..... 398.4 (–7.4)
Zurich: SKA Gen .... 558.10 (+6.10)
London: FT. A ..... n/a
FT. Gilts ..... 83.52 (+0.27)

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INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 11%
3-month interbank 11¼-11⅛%
3-month eligible bills: $10^{11}/_{16}$–$10^{21}/_{32}$% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 7½%
Federal Funds 15%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.68-5.66%*
30-year bonds $100^{5}/_{16}$–$100^{11}/_{16}$*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.4690	$: £1.4690*
£: DM2.8601	$: DM1.9460*
£: SwFr2.3901	$: SwFr1.6255*
£: FFr9.4714	$: FFr6.4420*
£: Yen234.97	$: Yen159.85*
£: Index 69.0	$: Index:108.9
ECU £0.725958	SDR £0.836022

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

Whitecroft	248p (+10p)
Williams Holdings	563p (+13p)
F. Copson	108p (+8p)
Ipeco	113p (+8p)
BBA Group	142p (+9p)
Yorkshire TV	194p (+9p)
Bernard Matthews	284p (+14p)
Hillards	174p (+11p)
Metal Closures	177p (+9p)
Liberty	675p (+10p)
Barton Transport	450p (+45p)
Hunslet	285p (+12p)
Pearson	617p (+12p)
Appledore Group	245p (+17p)
Midland Bank	595p (+13p)
Pearl Assurance	1575p (+12p)
Standard Secs.	250p (+15p)
British Aerospace	518p (+7p)

FALLS:

APV	582p (–10p)
Western Motor	196p (–12p)

Prices are as at 4pm

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $389.40 pm-$388.75
close $389.50-390.00 (£265.00-265.50)
New York:
Comex $388.80-389.30*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Feb) pm $17.75bbl ($17.80)
* Denotes latest trading price

Strong backing for Tories

CBI confident for New Year

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

Britain's manufacturing industries, though still struggling to boost their international competitiveness, are nevertheless entering the New Year with confidence without their traditional hangover.

Stable wage rates, the prospect of tax cuts as government revenue from North Sea oil rises and privatization proceeds enter the system, plus a booming export potential all bode well in what seems certain to be an election year.

The Confederation of British Industry, always the supporter of right-of-centre political party policies that will benefit and sustain the free enterprise system, has for the first time openly put its muscle behind a Conservative win and warned the country of what it sees as the dire consequences of a Labour victory.

More privatization, more cuts in public expenditure, less Government tinkering with industry, continuing low inflation rates, and lower interest rates are seen by industry as the priorities.

Mr David Nickson, the CBI president, said in his New Year message today that 1987 should bring with it a quickening in the rate of economic growth and better prospects for business.

Output in manufacturing should rise by more than 3 per cent during the year, he said. "The economy as a whole is likely to grow by 2.7 per cent, with export demand and investment joining consumer spending as the engines of growth."

Exports, he said, were already benefiting from the lower pound and should increase by more than 3 per cent. Imports were likely to increase even faster, however, leading to a current account deficit of about £2 billion.

Mr Nickson warned of fewer jobs in manufacturing in 1987, but demand for labour by service industries should more than offset the loss to bring a slow but steady fall in unemployment of about 100,000 over the year.

CBI staff forecasts point to total unemployment falling below 3 million by 1988. Employment in manufacturing is expected to decline by 8,000 a month in 1987 and slow to 6,000 a month in 1988, although employment in the service sector is expected to continue to rise.

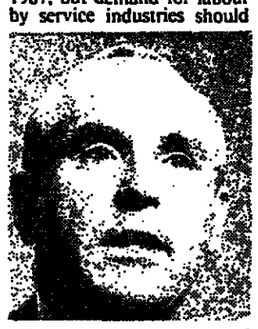
Mr Nickson said: "Overall, the picture is one of steady growth in line with the increase in world trade.

"International markets will continue to be intensely competitive and the ability of British firms to win a larger share will depend on their success in holding down costs, particularly unit labour costs.

Mr Nickson, chairman of Scottish & Newcastle Breweries, believes that Industry Year, which ends today, has improved public awareness of the importance of wealth creation.

"But Britain needs to be industrious every year if we are to generate the increased wealth needed to improve living standards," he said.

The coming year has been designated Europe's Year of the Environment



Nickson: 'picture is of steady growth'



Michael Butt: to head expansion at Eagle Star

New chief for Eagle Star

By Alison Eadie

Mr Michael Butt is leaving Sedgwick Group after 22 years to become chief executive of Eagle Star, the insurance subsidiary of BAT Industries, on March 1.

He will also join the main board of BAT and succeed Sir Jasper Hollom as chairman of Eagle Star during 1987. He was a deputy chairman of Sedgwick Group and chairman of Sedgwick Ltd, the group's worldwide insurance broking arm.

Mr Butt, who is 44, said yesterday his move to Eagle Star will not involve him in competition with Sedgwick. "It was particularly important to me not to be in the same business," he said. Eagle Star acts as a principal in insurance, whereas Sedgwick is an intermediary.

His brief will be to expand Eagle Star both through acquisitions and organically. BAT is building up its financial services through Eagle Star and Allied Dunbar.

Prior bars gas share sellers

By Cliff Feltham

Details of the events leading up to the unexpected decision of the Department of Trade to send in a provisional liquidator to the securities dealer Prior Harwin two days before Christmas are likely to emerge when the company holds its annual meeting today.

Investors who dealt through Prior Harwin – mainly to sell British Gas shares – will not be admitted to the meeting although many questions are certain to be raised by the 200 shareholders, many of whom bought and sold shares through the company.

The special manager appointed to the company, Mr Ian Bond, of accountants Deloitte, Haskins and Sells is expected to give details of its financial position.

Unofficial estimates put the company's assets at close to £1 million but there are no firm ideas on the size of its liabilities.

At the close of the meeting Mr Tony Prior, the Prior Harwin chairman, will make a statement on the Department of Trade decision to force his company to stop trading. A winding-up petition is due to be heard in the High Court next month.

Meanwhile, cheques are now being sent to about 500 investors whose allotment letters arrived after the special manager's appointment. But an estimated 3,000 other clients must await the outcome of the court action before knowing whether they have lost all or part of their money.

A constant stream of anxious investors concerned about their money have visited the Prior Harwin offices since the arrival of the special manager and his team. They are all being advised to set out their claims in writing which can be handled after the court hearing.

Call by MP for tin debt meeting

By Colin Narbrough

Mr Kenneth Warren, MP, the Conservative chairman of the select committee on trade and industry, yesterday called on the Government to request an emergency meeting of the 22 countries behind the International Tin Council.

He wants the meeting to work out "collective responsibility" for the organisation's debts.

His appeal followed Monday's disclosure that a group of the ITC's creditor banks are bringing claims for more than £300 million against the British Government and the other states who are signatories to the ITC agreement.

Three banks – Kleinwort Benson, Australia and New Zealand Bank and Arbuthnot Latham Bank – had High Court writs served on the Department of Trade and Industry just before Christmas. At least seven more are likely to follow.

The ITC collapsed in October last year when it could no longer finance its buffer stock – used to regulate the world tin price. The banks' legal moves come alongside attempts by 11 metal brokers to recover £165 million of losses arising from the ITC failure. A High Court judgment is due in mid-January on a brokers' petition to have the ITC wound up.

A DTI spokesman said the Government stance remained unchanged. "We do not accept any liability for the debts of the ITC."

Mr Warren said that he would table a question when Parliament reconvenes next week, asking the Government to state its position. He would also bring the matter of the ITC debt claims to his committee's attention. The Government is due to reply formally by the end of February

World economy

Yen boost for dollar

By Rodney Lord
Economics Editor

The dollar rallied yesterday after a rather different message about the Japanese government's preferred dollar-yen rate to that indicated at the weekend.

Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, the Japanese finance minister, said the dollar needed to strengthen by up to 10 yen to about Y170. This followed earlier remarks by Mr Satoshi Sumita, the Japanese central bank governor, that a lower dollar-yen rate of Y159-Y160 would be acceptable.

The dollar closed at Y159.90, compared with an opening of Y160.45 and a previous close of Y159.05. Dealers said the fluctuations were exaggerated by thin trading. Against the mark the dollar traded quietly at about DM1.9480.

Sterling rose with the dollar, closing little changed against the US currency at $1.4685. Cross rates against continental currencies firmed with the mark rate ½ pfennig higher at DM2.8614. The sterling index closed 0.1 above the previous close at 69, the same level as before Christmas.

Sterling continued to attract support from the firmer oil price and the intention of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait to return to fixed prices on February 1. Market movements, however, were described as largely technical.

Mr Stephen Lewis, economics director of Phillips and Drew, said: "The general view is still that the next move in British interest rates is more likely to be up than down, but the fear of a sterling crisis in January has receded."

Three-month money in the interbank market, generally regarded as a bellwether of bank base rates, was fractionally easier at 11¼ per cent.

Tightest Japanese budget in 32 years

From David Watts, Tokyo

The Japanese government's 1987 budget features the smallest increase in spending in 32 years.

Only defence, up 5.2 per cent, and overseas development aid, increased by 5.3 per cent, have been allowed to rise significantly in a 54,101 billion yen (£231.7 billion) budget.

But the budget is unlikely to meet Western hopes that Japan would help to lead the world out of recession.

Japanese officials who say the budget will be "mildly stimulative" believe the year's delay before the introduction of new taxes should provide a stimulus of some 4 per cent in domestic demand next year. They expect external demand to contract by 0.5 per cent, giving growth of 3.5 per cent.

As an added stimulus to the shift of emphasis from exports to imports, Exim Bank loans for exports will be Y178 billion in fiscal 1987 compared with this year's Y325 billion. Loans for import and investment finance will rise from Y362 billion to Y397 billion.

The government admits, however, that much of the Y25,279 billion fiscal investment and loan programme is dependent on the central government succeeding in convincing cash-rich local authorities to increase spending.

The budget is also predicated on the belief that the much-publicized savings rate will continue at the same pace, despite the introduction of taxes on small accounts.

North Sea oil production starts to slip

North Sea oil production has started to fall from the peak of 2.7 million barrels a day it reached during the summer months.

Production in December totalled 2.48 mbd acording to the latest Royal Bank of Scotland oil price index. It forecasts 2.56 mbd average

The value of oil output is continuing to rise as the world price firms but although nine smaller fields increased production this was offset by reductions in output from the giant Brent, Forties and Magnus fields.

Go-ahead for US airliner

By Teresa Poole,
Business Correspondent

McDonnell Douglas, the US aircraft manufacturer, yesterday gave the go-ahead for its new MD-11 long-range airliner, and said deliveries would begin in April 1990.

The announcement puts renewed pressure on the European Airbus consortium which has planned for its rival aircraft – the A-330 and A-340 – to enter service in 1992.

McDonnell Douglas said orders and options worth $9 billion (£6.16 billion) have been received for its aircraft. Twelve customers have ordered a total of 52 MD-11s and taken options on another 40.It also emerged that Rolls-Royce, the British aircraft engine manufacturer, is in detailed talks with McDonnell Douglas about the suitability of its RB211-524D4D engine for the MD-11.



The MD-11: long-range

Rolls-Royce said technical issues were being addressed and business arrangements reviewed "with the intention of concluding an agreement" with McDonnell.

It is likely that McDonnell would then offer buyers of the MD-11 a choice between the Rolls-Royce engine and two US engines, the PW4000 from Pratt and Whitney and the CF6-80C2 from General Electric.

The RB211-524D4D was the engine chosen by British Airways in August for its new fleet of Boeing 747-400 jumbo jets.

Earlier this week Airbus Industrie announced that a consortium, including Rolls-Royce, had been selected to manufacture the engines for the A-340.

But so far Airbus has no customers for its new aircraft

New Year Honours

White knights in the City

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Industrial and financial leaders who have been in the forefront of change – from the thrust for exports to Big Bang in the City – figure in an honours list notable for the inclusion of many business personalities.

New growth areas like retailing and leisure, and the small business sector, also receive recognition.

There are nine business knights. Two from the City are David Scholey, chairman of Mercury International Group, and Mark Weinberg, who was chairman of the route-finding Marketing and Investments Board Organising Committee (Miboc) and who then became deputy chairman of the Securities and Investments Board (SIB).

Mr Scholey heads one of the biggest City conglomerates that includes S G Warburg, the merchant bank, Mullins the Government broker, and Rowe & Pitman, the Queen's stockbroker. Mercury is in the van of the battle against fierce foreign competition

Mr Weinberg is the life assurance luminary who set up Allied Dunbar, now one of the biggest life assurance companies.

Another City leader, George Nissen, who has had a number of key appointments at the Stock Exchange and who played a crucial role in getting the new gilts system operational, receives a CBE.

FERRANTI

Knighthoods earned by services to Britain's export drive go to Derek Alun-Jones, managing director and chief executive of Ferranti, the defence electronics specialist, and Jeffrey Benson, the banker who is chairman of the Export Guarantees Advisory Council.

Defence electronics products account for 60 per cent of Ferranti's turnover and a fifth of that is exported. Ferranti has been notably successful in breaking into the tough United States market with sales of technology to prime defence contractors.

Mr Benson is a deputy chairman of National Westminster Bank and a former president of the Institute of Bankers.

Among the other business knights is one of the leaders in the construction world, Francis Gibb, chairman and chief executive of Taylor Woodrow. He is a member of the council of the Confederation of British Industry.



There is a knighthood for Bernard Ashley, chairman of Laura Ashley, and the organising force behind this international fashion empire even before his wife's untimely death.

Dennis Landau, who joined the Co-operative Wholesale Society in 1971 and has for the past six years been its chief executive spanning not only Co-operative manufacturing but some retailing, is also awarded a knighthood.

The two other business knights are Robert Duthie, the accountant who is chairman of the Scottish Development Agency, and Keith Bright, chairman and chief executive of London Regional Transport.

There are two notable KBE awards. One goes to Sir Terence Beckett, who is to retire shortly after six years as director-general of the Confederation of British Industry. His "bare knuckle" speech seems to be fading into history as the CBI has thrown its weight behind Tory policies.

CBI

Viscount Caldecote, chairman of 3i (Investors in Industry), Britain's leading venture capital organization, is the other KBE. This doyen among professional engineers has been at the head of 3i since 1980, during a crucial period for business start-ups.

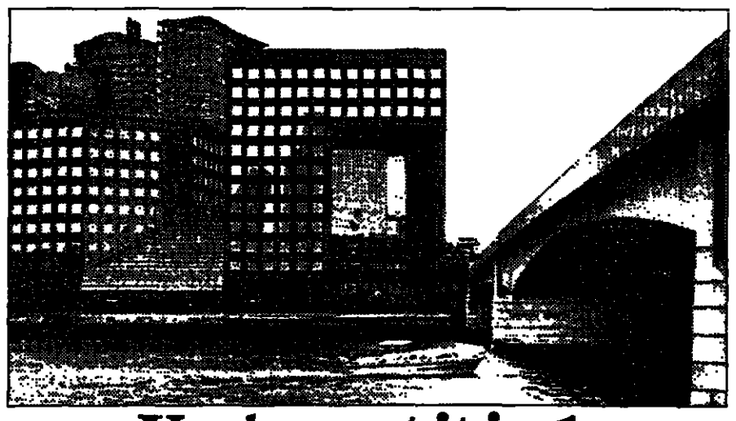
Among other leading businessmen awarded the CBE are Alick Rankin, group chief executive at Scottish & Newcastle Breweries, Joseph Crouch, until recently director of marketing at Cable and Wireless, Robert Evans, chief executive of British Gas, and Alan Hatchett, deputy chairman of Peninsular and Oriental Containers.



In the small business sector a CBE goes to Stephen O'Brien, chief executive of Business in the Community, the umbrella body for local enterprise agencies.

That fashionable source of job creation, the leisure industry, also gains an honour. A CBE goes to John Broome, chief executive at Alton Towers, the man who gave Britons their first real taste of a Disney-style theme park.

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British Coal poised for 'watershed' year

Forty years after nationalization, chairman Sir Robert Haslam looks forward to further increases in productivity



Champion of coal: Sir Robert Haslam after visiting the coalface at Bickershaw Colliery, Manchester

The year 1987 will provide a watershed for the coal industry, Sir Robert Haslam, chairman of British Coal, has told staff in a message to mark the 40th anniversary of the industry's nationalization.

He said that productivity in the pits was standing at a record 3.64 tonnes a manshift with the record being broken eight times in recent weeks and some areas producing more than four tonnes a manshift. Seven of the nine areas of British Coal were now operating profitably.

"I know of no other industry which has recently matched our productivity advance over the year of 23 per cent. In fact, in the past 12 months we have made substantially more progress in improving productivity than in the previous 12 years, when the increase over this long period was only 1 per cent a year."

Sir Robert said the industry remained on target to break even in 1988-89.

"It is with great confidence I express the belief that in two to three years' time we will yet again have a stable and prosperous coal industry to which we will all be proud to belong."

The industry should complete its reorganization programme by the spring which would allow increased recruitment of young people and allow existing workers to plan their careers in mining.

"By the spring, the industry should be entering calmer waters after the widespread and dramatic restructuring of the past. This will be replaced by the measured and healthy restructuring which is normal in an extractive industry."

The chairman said he hoped that the problems arising from the year-long national strike would soon be finally resolved. It was the management's intention that it would adopt an even-handed policy towards the National Union of Mineworkers and the Union of Democratic Mineworkers.

"Having returned to the coal industry where I began my career, I have rejoined the small band of people who were working at the collieries at the time of nationalization and are still here.

"Many, but not all of people's aspirations at that time for the future have been realized in 40 years of public enterprise. The dominant change in our industry is that in 1947 the industry was virtually an energy monopoly, but it now faces fierce competition from oil, imported coal, gas and electricity generated by nuclear and other sources.

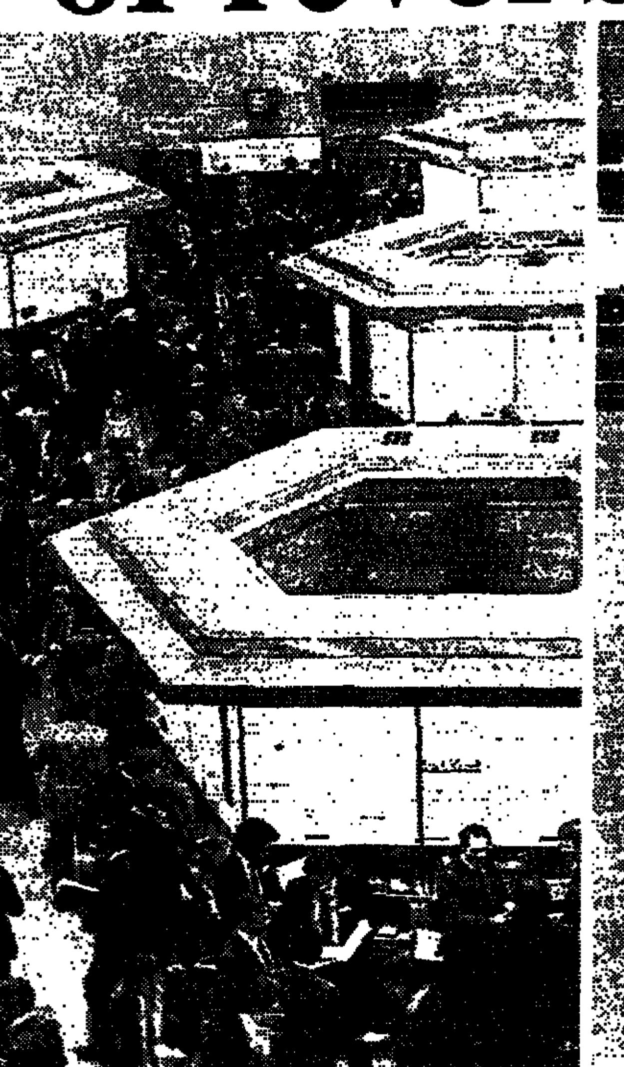
"Consequently, there has been a major change in the size and scale of the industry. Never has this change in our environment been more starkly demonstrated than in 1986 when, following the collapse of oil prices, we immediately had to concede £400 million a year of sales revenue to our customers."

Sir Robert added: "Impressive achievements with greatly improved performance at collieries and cost reductions in all our activities have ensured a major change in the coal industry's prospects."

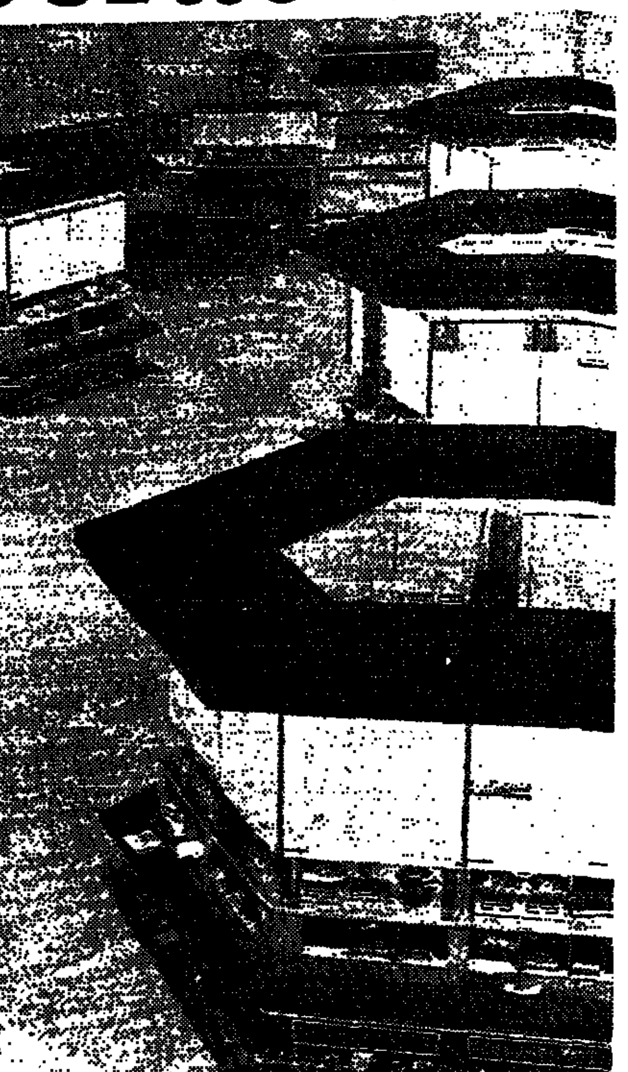
David Young
Energy Correspondent

First there was Big Bang — then came a series of great explosions in the City

Year of reverberations



GOING, GOING . . . the bustle of pre-Big Bang activity



GONE . . . to be replaced by computer-controlled peace

The past year has not exactly been a quiet one in the City. If it had just been the year of Big Bang, that would have been loud enough. But 1986 has heralded also the Financial Services Act and the International Stock Exchange. And of course insider dealing and the Government inspector.

A good deal of what Big Bang entailed had happened already by the time the starting gun was fired on October 27. The realignment of broking firms, the huge payments for partnerships, teams and plain individuals, had been going on since Sir Nicholas Goodison, chairman of the Exchange, struck his famous deal with the Government in 1983.

Some outstanding points were tied up. The future of the mighty Cazenove & Co as an independent broker was guaranteed and a number of provincial brokers decided to group for security while large firms, such as Mercantile House, gobbled up other provincial firms to increase their geographical reach.

Since Big Bang did not take place until late in the year, the pundits were left several months to speculate on what it would mean. Would the Stock Exchange floor and the concomitant system of dealing face-to-face survive? What would happen to commissions? Was there a living still to be made as a pure agency broker? And what was going to happen to a very crowded dense gilts market?

No-one bothered to ask whether the Stock Exchange's computer system would stand up to the transformation although the dress rehearsal for the equity market, a week before the big day, did not go smoothly.

The drama of October 27 was greatly heightened when Topic, the Exchange's prices dissemination system, proved incapable of handling the increased curiosity from its users. The Topic network collapsed at 8.30am on the day that many dealers were unable to update their prices in time for the 9am start.

The system also failed at 1pm on the following day, overwhelmed by a flood of prices from the North American over-the-counter market — NASDAQ. The litany of failures continued, although their effect diminished as the Stock Exchange cut back the services provided to Topic users.

Extra capacity has been ordered and users can anticipate a trouble-free system next year. The Exchange's plans for certificateless trading (eliminating the need for share certificates) are still in progress. Likewise the Exchange is hoping to introduce automatic execution for purchases and sales of small parcels of shares.

While preparations for Big Bang went ahead, Parliament and the City had to grapple with the intricate provisions of the Financial Services Bill, published in December last year.

The Bill laid down a new system for regulating the investment industry. Self-regulation was the catchphrase although it rapidly became clear that self-regulation as per the Financial Services Bill would not eliminate bureaucracy or the lawyers.

It provided for a designated authority to police the City and after much huffing and puffing in Parliament, the Securities and Investments Board, chaired by Sir Kenneth Berrill, was specifically named in the Bill as the new authority.

Everyone knew it would be the SIB which would fulfill this role. Mentioning it in the Bill gave it what the Conservative back-benchers who pressed for its inclusion described as "statutory recognition".

It certainly did not convert the SIB into a Securities and Exchange Commission, along American lines. However it was given limited powers of prosecution and the promise of more prosecuting muscle to come.

Another big tussle with the Government was fought over the question of legal immunity. The Bill envisaged that the day to day policing of the investment industry would be carried out by an unspecified number of self-regulating organisations or SROs, operating at a lower level than the SIB and under its authority.

The SIB would have legal immunity. It could not be sued for exercising its powers in good faith. The Bill did not give the SROs the same protection so they launched a collective campaign.

Mr Michael Howard, Minister for Consumer and Corporate Affairs at the DTI, was at first reluctant to grant immunity, saying that one must tread carefully where a derogation from the law was sought. A few weeks later, a clearly uncomfortable Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said the SROs would receive their immunity. It was a pragmatic move, he explained. In other words, without the SROs, the Bill would not work.

Professional bodies such as the Law Society and the Institute of Chartered Accountants, tried have immunity for themselves written into the Bill. They failed although the Government did give gave some ground.

While Parliament grappled with the structure of self-regulation, the SIB put out ream upon ream of draft rules in an attempt to make precise the way in which investment businesses should conduct themselves.

These rules will form the benchmark for investor protection and the SROs will have their own rulebooks which must provide at least equivalent protection.

In some cases the SIB's rules aroused considerable controversy.It was asked to rethink its stance on disclosure of commissions and charges by life assurance salesmen after pressure at during the Bill's committee stage.

And the SIB has stuck to its policy of not requiring intermediaries to make full disclosure except in limited instances. However, it belatedly announced the setting up of an enquiry into whether some form of across-the-board disclosure would be helpful to the consumer.

There were two mergers among the intended SROs. The most notable was that between the Stock Exchange and the International Securities Regulatory Organisation (Isro).

The Exchange was concerned that a considerable amount trading in leading stocks would be lost to the big international houses that had formed under the Isro banner.

The result, announced in September, was the formation of the International Stock Exchange — a joint Isro-Stock Exchange body operating, in Britain, markets in domestic and foreign stocks, government securities and options. The regulatory functions of the two bodies are to be conducted by the Securities Association.

Meanwhile the passage of the legislation which prompted these changes was delayed so that the Financial Services Act 1986 did not emerge until October.

One part of the Act was rushed into force ahead of schedule. Provisions giving the Government far reaching powers to investigate insider dealing were bought in after the resignation of Mr Geoffrey Collier, former head of Morgan Grenfell Securities, who was charged with insider dealing.

Tremors from the other side of the Atlantic, notably the $100 million penalty imposed on Mr Ivan Boesky, the arbitrageur, also played a part since Mr Boeksy's dealings encompassed important British companies.

Earlier, the Government had signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the American regulators which provided for the exchange of information. The full implications of the Boesky affair are still to emerge.

On December 1 the Government announced a DTI investigation into the affairs of Guinness plc, while two days later Exco called in the Fraud Squad to investigate theft at one of its companies.

The litany of City scandals was by now in full swing.

Lawrence Lever

MONEY & GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 11
Finance House 11½

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 11 Low 7
Week fixed: 10⅞

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying		Selling	
2 mnth	10⅞	2 mnth	10¹¹⁄₁₆
3 mnth	10¹¹⁄₁₆	3 mnth	10⅝

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10²⁷⁄₃₂-10²⁵⁄₃₂ 2 mnth 10⅞-10²³⁄₃₂
3 mnth 10¹¹⁄₁₆-10²¹⁄₃₂ 6 mnth 10²¹⁄₃₂-10¹⁹⁄₃₂

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 11¹⁵⁄₃₂ 2 mnth 11⅜
3 mnth 11⁵⁄₁₆ 6 mnth 11⁹⁄₃₂

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 11 close 6½
1 week 11⅛-11⅛ 6 mnth 11⅛-11³⁄₁₆
1 mnth 11⅛-11⅛ 9 mnth 11⅛-11⅜
3 mnth 11⁹⁄₃₂-11⁷⁄₃₂ 12 mth 11³⁄₁₆-11¹⁄₁₆

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 10⅞ 7 days 10⅞
1 mnth 10⅞ 3 mnth 11
6 mnth 11 12 mth 11

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 11½-11⅛ 2 mnth 11½-11⅛
3 mnth 11½-11⅛ 6 mnth 11⁷⁄₁₆-11⅛
9 mnth 11⁵⁄₁₆-11⅞ 12 mth 11½-11⅛

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 11³⁄₁₆-11¹⁄₁₆ 3 mnth 11³⁄₁₆-11¹⁄₁₆
6 mnth 11⅛-11 12 mth 10¹⁵⁄₁₆-10¹³⁄₁₆

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 6.55-6.45 3 mnth 6.20-6.10
6 mnth 6.10-6.00 12 mth 6.10-6.00

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar call 7-6
7 days 10-20 1 mnth 6⅛-6⅞
3 mnth 6⁵⁄₁₆-6³⁄₁₆ 6 mnth 6⅛-6⅞
Deutschmark call 5½-4½
7 days 5⅛-5 1 mnth 4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆
3 mnth 4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆ 6 mnth 4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆
French Franc call 8⅛-7⅞
7 days 10½-10 1 mnth 9⅞-8⅞
3 mnth 10-9½ 6 mnth 9¹¹⁄₁₆-9⁷⁄₁₆
Swiss Franc call 2⅛-1⅞
7 days 2⅜-2⅛ 1 mnth 3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆
3 mnth 3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆ 6 mnth 3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆
Yen call 5-4
7 days 4⅝-4½ 1 mnth 4½-4⅜
3 mnth 4½-4⅜ 6 mnth 4⅜-4¼

BULLION

Gold:$389.50-390.00
Krugerrand (per coin, ex vat):
$ 387.00-390.00 (£263.25-265.50)
Sovereigns (new, ex vat):
$ 92.00-93.00 (£62.50-63.25)
Platinum
$ 472.75 (£322.05)
Silver
$ 5.27-5.29 (£3.58-3.60)

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period November 1, 1986 to November 28, 1986 inclusive: 11.248 per cent.

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C. Hoare & Co	11.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	11.00%
Lloyds Bank	11.00%
Nat Westminster	11.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	11.00%
TSB	11.00%
Citibank NA	11.00%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

WALL STREET

Bond market weakness causes slow opening

Shares traded lower on Wall Street yesterday, due to early weakness in the bond market, a declining dollar and stronger-than-expected November leading economic indicators.

The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 7 points to 1,905 in early trading, while the New York Stock Exchange composite index was down 0.59 to 139.30.

Declines led advances by three to one on a volume of 38 million shares.

	Dec 29	Dec 26		Dec 29	Dec 26		Dec 29	Dec 26
AMR	54	54⅜	Firestone	28⅜	28⅝	Pfizer	61½	62⅜
ASA	35⅜	35⅛	Fst Chicago	29½	30	Phelps Dge	21	20⅜
Allied Signal	40⅞	41⅞	Fst Int Bncp	52⅜	52⅜	Philip Mrs	73⅜	73⅜
Allied Strs	68½	68⅜	Fst Penn C	8⅜	9	Phillips Pet	11⅞	11⅜
Allis Chlmrs	2⅜	2½	Ford	57⅜	57⅜	Polaroid	67⅜	67⅜
Alcoa	33⅞	33⅜	FT Wachva	36⅜	36⅜	PPG Ind	73⅜	73⅜
Amax Inc	12	12⅛	GAF Corp	38⅜	38⅜	Prctr Gmbl	78⅜	79⅜
Am'rda Hs	24½	24⅜	GTE Corp	59⅜	59⅜	Pb S E & G	40⅜	40⅜
Am Brands	42⅜	42⅜	Gen Corp	72⅜	72⅜	Raytheon	67⅜	68
Am Can	84⅛	84⅜	Gen Dy'mcs	69	69⅜	Rynlds Met	40⅜	40⅜
Am Cynm'd	79⅞	79⅞	Gen Electric	86⅜	87½	Rockwell Int	46⅜	47
Am El Pwr	27½	27⅜	Gen Inst	18⅜	18⅜	Royal Dutch	95½	95⅜
Am Express	58⅞	58⅜	Gen Mills	42⅜	43	Sara Lee	34	34⅜
Am Home	77¾	78⅜	Gen Motors	66⅜	67⅜	SFE Sopac	29⅜	30
Am Motors	3	3	Gn Pb Ut ny	22⅜	23⅛	Schl'berger	31⅜	32⅜
Am St'nrd	42⅜	42½	Genesco	3⅛	3⅛	Scott Paper	62⅜	63⅜
Am Teleph	25⅛	25⅜	Georgia Pac	38⅜	38⅜	Seagram	61⅜	61⅜
Amoco	66⅞	67⅛	Gillete	48⅜	48⅜	Sears Rbck	40½	40⅜
Armco Steel	5⅛	5½	Goodrich	44⅜	44⅜	Shell Trans	57⅜	57⅜
Asarco	14⅞	14⅜	Goodyear	41⅜	41⅜	Singer	38⅜	39⅜
Ashland Oil	56⅜	56	Gould Inc	17⅜	17⅜	Smthkln Bk	93⅜	94⅜
At Richfield	61½	60⅜	Grace	49⅜	50⅜	Sony	21	21¼
Avon Prods	27⅜	27⅜	Gt Atl & Tac	23⅜	24	Sth Cal Ed	34	35
Bkrs Tst NY	46⅜	46⅜	Gr'hnd	31⅜	32	S'Wstn Bell	113½	114¼
Bankamer	14⅜	14⅜	Gruman Cor	25½	26	Std Oil	49⅜	49⅜
Bk of Bston	41⅜	41½	Gulf & West	63⅜	64⅜	Sterling Drg	46⅜	46⅜
Bank of NY	39	39¼	Heinz H.J.	41⅜	41⅜	Stevens JP	39	38⅜
Beth Steel	6	6⅛	Hercules	52⅜	53⅜	Sun Comp	55⅜	57
Boeing	53	53⅜	H'lett-Pkrd	42⅜	43	Teledyne	302	306⅜
Bse Cascde	60⅜	61⅛	Honeywell	58⅜	59	Tenneco	38⅜	38⅜
Brden	47⅜	47⅜	IC Inds	23⅜	23⅜	Texaco	36	35⅜
Bg Warner	39¼	39⅜	Ingersoll	57⅜	58	Texas E Cor	27⅜	28⅜
Brist Myers	83⅛	85	Inland Steel	18⅜	18⅜	Texas Inst	116¼	118⅜
BP	42⅜	42⅜	IBM	120½	122	Texas Utls	32⅛	32⅜
Burl'ton Ind	41⅜	43⅛	INCO	11⅜	11¼	Textron	63½	65
Burl'ton Ntn	54½	54⅜	Int Paper	76⅜	76⅜	Travlrs Cor	44⅜	44⅜
Brunswick	34⅜	34⅜	Int Tel Tel	53	53⅜	TRW Inc	85½	87⅜
Cmpbell Sp	59⅝	59⅜	Irving Bank	47½	48⅛	UAL Inc	53½	54⅜
Can Pacific	12⅛	12⅛	Jhnsn & Jhn	66⅜	67⅜	Unilever NV	235¼	235¼
Caterpiller	40⅜	40⅜	Kaiser Alum	13⅜	13⅜	Unisys	81⅜	83⅜
Celanese	240	240⅜	Kerr McGee	28⅜	28⅜	Un Carbide	22⅜	22⅜
Central SW	35	35	Kmb'ly Clrk	80⅜	82⅜	Un Pac Cor	62⅜	63⅜
Champion	31⅜	31⅜	K Mart	44	44	Utd Brands	35	35⅜
Chase Man	36⅞	37⅛	Kroger	29⅜	30⅜	USG Corp	38⅜	38⅜
Chm Bk NY	43⅜	43⅞	L.T.V. Corp	1½	1⅜	Utd Technol	46⅜	47⅜
Chevron	45⅜	45⅜	Litton	75⅜	76⅜	USX Corp	21⅜	21⅜
Chrysler	38⅛	38⅜	Lockheed	50⅜	50⅜	Unocal	27¼	27½
Citicorp	53⅜	53⅜	Lucky Strs	26⅜	27⅜	Jim Walter	50	50⅜
Clark Equip	20	20	Man H'nver	45⅜	46⅜	Wrner Lmbt	58⅜	60⅜
Coca Cola	38⅜	38⅜	Manville Cp	1⅜	2	Wells Fargo	102½	103½
Colgate	41⅜	42⅛	Mapco	60⅜	61¼	W'stghse El	57⅜	58½
CBS	128	129⅜	Marine Mid	45⅜	46	Weyerh'ser	39⅜	39½
C'mbia Gas	45⅜	45⅜	Mrt Marietta	39⅜	39⅜	Whirlpool	68⅜	68⅜
Cmb'tn Eng	32⅜	32⅜	Masco	28⅜	29⅜	Woolworth	38	37⅜
Comwlth Ed	34	34	McDonalds	62⅜	63⅜	Xerox Corp	61½	62½
Cons Edis	47	47⅜	McDonnell	72⅜	74½	Zenith	21½	21⅜
Cn Nat Gas	32⅜	33	Mead	55⅜	57⅛			
Cons Power	15⅜	16	Merck	124⅜	128½			
Cntrl Data	26⅛	27	Minsta Mng	117⅜	117⅜			
Corning Gl	55⅞	56¼	Mobil Oil	40⅛	40⅜			
CPC Intl	79⅞	80⅜	Monsanto	76½	77			
Crane	33⅜	33⅜	Morgan J.P.	84½	85⅜			
Curtiss Wrt	53⅞	54⅜	Motorola	36⅜	36½			
Data Genl.	29½	30⅜	NCR Corp	45⅜	46⅜			
Deere	23⅛	23⅜	NL Indstrs	5⅜	5⅜			
Delta Air	48⅛	49⅜	Nat Distlrs	44⅜	43⅜			
Detroit Ed	18⅛	18⅜	Nat Med Ent	23⅜	23⅜			
Digital Eq	106¼	106⅜	Nat Smcndt	10⅜	11			
Disney	43⅛	43⅞	Norfolk Sth	85⅜	85⅜			
Dow Chem	60	60½	NW Bancrp	37⅜	38⅜			
Dresser Ind	19⅜	19⅜	Occidnt Pet	28⅜	28⅜			
Duke Power	46	46⅛	Ogden	44⅜	44⅜			
Du Pont	86⅞	87½	Olin Corp	41⅛	41⅜			
Estm Kodak	67⅜	69⅜	Owens-Ill	52	52			
Eaton Corp	74⅜	75⅞	Pac Gas El	24⅛	24⅜			
Emerson El	85½	86⅛	Pan Am	4⅜	4⅜			
Emery Air	11½	11⅜	Penney J.C.	72½	74⅛			
Exxon Corp	72⅜	73⅜	Pennzoil	66⅛	66			
Fed Dpt Sts	83⅜	85¼	Pepsico	26⅛	26¼			

CANADIAN PRICES

Agnico Eag	25⅛	25⅜
Alcn Alum	38½	38⅜
Algoma Stl	11	11
Can Pacific	17½	17½
Cominco	13	12⅜
Con Bathrst	30½	30
Hkr/Sid Can	26⅜	26
Hdsn B Mln	22⅜	23⅜
Imasco	32	32¼
Imperial Oil	51⅜	51
In Pipe	39⅜	40
Ryl Trustco	30	30⅜
Seagram	84⅜	85⅜
Steel Co	19	19⅜
Thmsn N 'A'	30⅜	30½
Varity Corp	2.70	2.70
WCT	12½	13
Weston	34⅜	34⅜

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Ashtead (122p)	150 +2
British Gas (50p)	65 -¼
Cap & Regional (65p)	66
Daniels S (130p)	
Fletcher King (175p)	178
Gaynor (94p)	107 -1
Geest (125p)	171 +½
Glentree (18p)	51
Gordon Russell (190p)	207
Guthrie Corp (150p)	170
Halls Homes & Gdns (95p)	105
Harmony Leisure (23p)	26 -1
Hornby (100p)	103 +2
Hoskyns Gp (128p)	148
Johnson Fry	160 +2
Lloyds Chemist (105p)	131
Logitek (65p)	87
Lon& Metropolitan (145p)	168
MIL (144p)	145 -1
Mezzanine (150p)	76
Mayborn (102p)	108
Nobo (152p)	153 -2
Nothumbrian Fine (60p)	90 -1
Plum Hldgs (90p)	113
Spandex (170p)	245 +8
Sumit (135p)	138
TSB Chan Isles (70p)	110
TSB Group (100p)	75 +¾
Virgin (140p)	132½ -1
Ward Group (97p)	102
Wilding Office (135p)	145 -1

RIGHTS ISSUES

Avon Rubber N/P	31 +3
Birm Mint N/P	20 +2
Leisure Inv N/P	4 -1
Marling N/P	11
Munton N/P	5 +½
New Court N/P	1¾
Property Tst N/P	½ -¼
Parkdale N/P	5 -1
Waddington F/P	203
Walker (Alfred) N/P	

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Mar 87	88.91	88.97	88.91	88.97	1380
Jun 87	89.27	89.36	89.27	89.35	207
Sep 87	89.41	89.46	89.41	89.47	85
Dec 87	89.32	89.35	89.32	89.35	30
Mar 88	NT	—	—	89.12	0
Jun 88	88.85	88.85	88.85	88.87	5
Previous day's total open interest 14414					
Three Month Eurodollar		Previous day's total open interest 22278			
Mar 87	93.91	93.91	93.85	93.88	2023
Jun 87	93.92	93.92	93.87	93.89	561
Sep 87	93.85	93.85	93.80	93.82	156
Dec 87	93.69	93.69	93.64	93.66	98
US Treasury Bond		Previous day's total open interest 3238			
Mar 87	98-25	99-00	99-08	99-12	1816
Jun 87	NT	—	—	97-15	0
Sep 87	NT	—	—	—	0
Short Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 109			
Dec 86	NT	—	—	97-10	0
Mar 87	NT	—	—	—	0
Jun 87	NT	—	—	—	0
Long Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 16780			
Dec 86	112-18	112-20	111-26	112-09	10052
Mar 87	112-10	112-10	112-10	112-14	1
Jun 87	NT	—	—	—	0
Sep 87	NT	—	—	—	0
FT-SE 100		Previous day's total open interest 3448			
Dec 86	167.00	167.50	167.00	167.15	114
Mar 87	170.20	171.20	170.20	170.70	177

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
Nov 17	Nov 28	Feb 19	Mar 2
Dec 1	Dec 12	Mar 5	Mar 16
Dec 15	Jan 2	Mar 19	Mar 30

Call options were taken out on: 30/12/86 Amstrad, Fergabrook, Sears, Bristol Channel, Camford Engineering, Blackwood Hodge, Conroy Pets., Finlay, Pavion Intnl., Bailey, Morgan Grenfell, Hawley Group, B. Matthews, Norfolk Capital, Tip Top Stores, Muntons, Chloride, Tricentrol, United Guarantee, Dares Estates, Reabrook.
Put: Audiotronic.
Puts & Calls: Bestwood, Royal Insurance.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range December 30	Market rates close December 30	1 month	3 months
N York	1.4685-1.4695	1.4680-1.4695	0.57-0.54prem	1.73-1.68prem
Montreal	2.0230-2.0323	2.0287-2.0323	0.63-0.52prem	1.47-1.32prem
Ams'dam	3.2237-3.2381	3.2307-3.2358	1⅜-1½ prem	4-3⅞prem
Brussels	59.37-59.87	59.50-59.69	24-19prem	53-45prem
C'phgen	10.8191-10.8559	10.8339-10.8559	2⅜-1⅜prem	5⅜-4⅜prem
Dublin	1.0493-1.0560	1.0543-1.0553	n/a	n/a
Frankfurt	2.8533-2.8624	2.8570-2.8619	1⅜-1⅞prem	4⅜-4⅜prem
Lisbon	215.14-216.31	215.14-216.02	119-196dis	243-337dis
Madrid	193.65-195.03	194.36-194.93	10-35dis	20-76dis
Milan	1988.37-1999.52	1990.55-1999.25	2prem-2dis	2prem-5dis
Oslo	10.8741-10.9145	10.8919-10.9140	4-5⅜dis	11⅜-13⅜dis
Paris	9.4475-9.4783	9.4564-9.4775	1½-⅜prem	1⅜prem-par
St'khlm	9.9795-10.0269	9.9931-10.0146	½prem-par	2⅜-2⅜prem
Tokyo	234.50-235.39	234.67-235.05	1½-1¼prem	4-3⅜prem
Vienna	20.09-20.17	20.12-20.15	10⅜-8⅜prem	28⅜-24⅜prem
Zurich	2.3860-2.3916	2.3870-2.3916	1⅜-1⅜prem	4⅜-4prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 69.0 (day's range 69.0-69.1).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.8216-1.8288
Australia dollar	2.2068-2.2101
Bahrain dinar	0.5500-0.5540
Brazil cruzado*	21.6674-21.7908
Cyprus pound	0.7340-0.7440
Finland marka	7.0540-7.0940
Greece drachma	202.80-204.80
Hong Kong dollar	11.420-11.431
India rupee	19.05-19.20
Iraq dinar	n/a
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4275-0.4315
Malaysia dollar	3.8094-3.8150
Mexico peso	1310.0-1360.0
New Zealand dollar	2.7923-2.8050
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.4810-5.5210
Singapore dollar	3.1914-3.1966
South Africa rand	3.2219-3.2385
U A E dirham	5.3585-5.3985

*Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.3890-1.3940
Singapore	2.1770-2.1790
Malaysia	2.5985-2.5995
Australia	0.6638-0.6643
Canada	1.3808-1.3818
Sweden	6.8025-6.8075
Norway	7.4175-7.4225
Denmark	7.3700-7.3750
West Germany	1.9485-1.9500
Switzerland	1.6270-1.6300
Netherlands	2.1940-2.1955
France	6.4475-6.4525
Japan	159.95-160.05
Italy	1354.0-1356.0
Belgium(Comm)	40.48-40.55
Hong Kong	7.7900-7.7920
Portugal	146.50-146.80
Spain	132.45-132.60
Austria	13.70-13.73

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Calls Jul	Puts Jan	Puts Apr	Puts Jul
Allied Lyons (*318)	280	42	53	60	1	5	8
	300	22	38	45	1½	8	15
	330	2	17	25	17	22	30
British Gas (*65)	50	15¾	17½	19½	½	½	¾
	60	6	9	12½	½	2	3
	70	1	3¼	6¼	5⅜	6⅜	7½
BP (*720)	600	125	135	—	1	6	—
	650	75	88	102	1	12	20
	700	28	45	62	6	28	40
Cons Gold (*660)	550	117	140	—	2	6	—
	600	67	100	110	2	13	18
	650	25	60	80	13	27	37
Courtaulds (*310)	260	54	63	—	1	1½	—
	280	34	43	52	1	3	5
	300	16	28	38	2	7	11
	330	3	13	21	20	23	26
Com Union (*266)	260	11	21	28	6	11	15
	280	2	11	20	17	22	26
	300	1	6	12	36	41	44
Cable & Wire (*331)	300	34	52	60	1	6	12
	325	13	30	—	6	14	—
	350	2	14	—	22	28	—
	375	1	—	—	45	—	—
GEC (*184)	160	27	33	37	½	2	6
	180	8½	17	24	4	8	12
	200	1½	8	14	17	20	24
Grand Met (*458)	360	103	108	—	1	1	—
	390	73	78	—	1	2	—
	420	45	54	68	1½	7	13
	460	12	33	48	12	25	25
ICI (*1076)	1000	85	102	125	2	14	20
	1050	37	67	90	6	26	37
	1100	10	45	62	30	60	64
	1150	3	22	42	80	92	92
Land Sec (*337)	300	40	50	55	1	3	6
	330	13	29	35	4	8	13
	360	2	13	18	25	27	30
Marks & Spen (*179)	180	5	17	21	4	10	13
	200	1	8	12	23	26	27
	220	½	3	6	43	45	46
Shell Trans (*979)	900	87	105	122	2	13	22
	950	40	60	83	5	27	37
	1000	10	28	53	28	50	58
Trafalgar House (*271)	260	14	24	32	3	8	12
	280	4	13	20	12	18	22
	300	1	7	12	31	33	35
TSB (*76)	70	6	10½	13½	¾	2½	4
	80	1	4½	7	6	7½	8½
	90	½	2½	2½	16	16½	16½

	Series	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Calls Sep	Puts Mar	Puts Jun	Puts Sep
Beecham (*441)	360	93	—	—	1½	—	—
	390	65	78	80	4	7	10
	420	38	50	60	10	17	20
	460	13	24	38	25	35	40
Boots (*230)	200	37	45	—	1	4	—
	220	23	30	35	6	11	14
	240	9	16	23	14	20	25
BTR (*271)	260	23	31	36	6	10	13
	280	13	19	24	17	21	23
	300	5½	11	—	33	35	—
Bass (*740)	650	107	120	—	3	8	—
	700	65	80	92	9	18	25
	750	30	48	65	35	47	57
Blue Circle (*673)	600	90	108	127	4	10	17
	650	53	70	88	12	22	28
	700	23	37	50	37	45	52
De Beers (*750)	650	135	—	—	12	—	—
	700	95	120	—	20	33	—
	750	65	90	110	45	60	70
	800	35	65	90	80	90	105
Dixons (*316)	300	29	32	50	7	12	18
	330	16	24	32	22	28	30
	360	4	13	—	48	48	—
GKN (*269)	240	38	45	51	3	6	8
	260	24	30	38	9	12	15
	280	13	18	28	17	23	24
	300	5	—	—	34	—	—
Glaxo (*1050)	900	180	205	—	5	8	—
	950	135	165	196	10	20	25
	1000	95	130	160	18	35	43
	1050	60	95	130	40	53	65
Hanson (*190)	160	34	—	—	1	—	—
	180	17½	24	30	4	6½	7½
Hanson (cont)	200	7½	13½	18½	13½	16	18
	220	2⅜	7	—	31	31½	—
Jaguar (*531)	500	52	70	87	12	18	25
	550	16	40	57	27	36	45
	600	7	—	—	68	—	—
Thorn EMI (*469)	420	65	77	—	2	6	—
	460	35	50	62	12	20	27
	500	14	28	38	37	40	50
	550	5	—	—	83	—	—
Tesco (*392)	360	47	58	70	6	10	14
	390	25	40	50	15	22	28
	420	10	18	30	33	36	40

	Series	Calls Feb	Calls May	Calls Aug	Puts Feb	Puts May	Puts Aug
Brit Aero (*513)	420	100	108	—	1	2	—
	460	60	72	83	3	7	13
	500	30	43	52	10	18	28
BAT Inds (*469)	390	87	95	—	2	3	—
	420	60	68	82	3	6	12
	460	30	40	57	14	23	28
	500	9	22	35	37	45	50
Barclays (*511)	460	62	72	82	3	6	15
	500	32	43	55	12	23	30
	550	7	16	30	42	50	52
Brit Telecom (*214)	180	37	43	48	¾	2	4½
	200	17	26	32	2	6	9
	220	5	13	17	12	13	19
Cadbury Schwpps (*187)	160	32	36	41	½	2½	5
	180	14	21	26	4	7	11
	200	4½	11	16	14	17	21
Guinness (294)	280	24	35	42	10	13	18
	300	14	25	32	19	27	28
	330	4	12	20	45	48	50
Ladbroke (*382)	330	60	67	75	1	3	5
	360	33	45	53	5	10	15
	390	13	26	35	16	25	25
LASMO (*158)	130	31	34	—	2	4	—
	140	24	28	33	3	7	9
	160	11	18	23	11	15	18
Midland Bank (*595)	500	107	115	125	2	6	10
	550	65	72	82	8	15	22
	600	24	32	47	18	35	42
P & O (*523)	460	73	85	97	2	7	12
	500	38	52	65	7	17	22
	550	9	23	35	37	45	50
Racal (*186)	160	27	37	44	2	4	6
	180	13	21	30	6	11	15
	200	4	13	—	18	24	—
RTZ (*689)	550	162	—	—	2	—	—
	600	112	127	—	3	10	—
	650	67	87	110	15	27	37
	700	37	57	70	34	52	60
Vaal Reefs (*82)	70	14½	21½	23½	1½	4½	4½
	80	8	14½	16¾	6	8½	9½
	90	2½	8	11	11	13	15

	Series	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Calls Sep	Puts Mar	Puts Jun	Puts Sep
Lonrho (*247)	200	51	54	—	1½	3½	—
	220	33	37	41	4	7½	11
	240	16	22	27	11	16	20
	260	7½	12	—	24	30	—

	Series	Calls Feb	Calls May	Calls Aug	Puts Feb	Puts May	Puts Aug
Tr 11¾% 1991 (*£102)	100	2⅜	3¼	3 9/16	⅜	15/16	1⅛
	102	1 9/16	2⅛	25/32	13/16	1⅜	1 1/16
	104	⅜	1 1/32	—	2¼	2⅜	—
Tr 11¾% 03/07 (*£110)	104	6 5/16	7⅛	7⅞	⅜	1 3/32	43/32
	106	4⅜	5⅜	6 7/16	⅜	27/16	2⅜
	108	3 3/16	4⅜	5 9/32	43/32	2 7/16	3 7/32
	110	2 1/32	3⅜	4 3/16	2 3/16	3 9/32	4
	112	1 5/16	2⅜	—	3⅜	4⅜	—
	114	⅜	47/32	—	4⅜	5⅜	—

	Series	Calls Dec	Calls Jan	Calls Feb	Calls Mar	Puts Dec	Puts Jan	Puts Feb	Puts Mar
FT-SE Index (*1673)	1550	123¾	138	—	—	½	1	—	—
	1575	98¼	115	—	—	½	2	—	—
	1600	73½	93	105	118	½	4	8	13
	1625	48	73	85	97	½	8	13	26
	1650	23	55	68	80	1	14	20	28
	1675	3½	37	62	63	7	25	30	37
	1700	½	—	—	—	30	—	—	—

December 30, 1986. Total contracts 18174. Calls 12696. Puts 5478. FT-SE Index. Calls:1236. Puts:419.

*Underlying security price.

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STOCK MARKET

Pilkington defence hinges on forecast of big profits

By Michael Clark

Pilkington Brothers, Britain's biggest glass manufacturer, which is fighting off an unwanted £1.2 billion bid from BTR, the industrial conglomerate, is likely to weigh in with a profits forecast of more than £200 million as a majorpart of its defence.

Sir Antony Pilkington, chairman of Pilkington, is expected to publish the group's long-awaited defence document within the next few days, and this should reach shareholders by Monday morning at the latest.

It will continue to urge them to reject the offer from BTR and will forecast a jump in pretax profits for the year to March 31 way above what most observers in the City had been anticipating.

Brokers like County Securities, the broking arm of the Nat West Bank, are reckoned to be looking for a figure as high as £215 million. That compares with the £157.8 million last year. Interim figures from Pilkington were better than expected and led most analysts to upgrade their profit forecast for the year from £175 million to about £190 million.

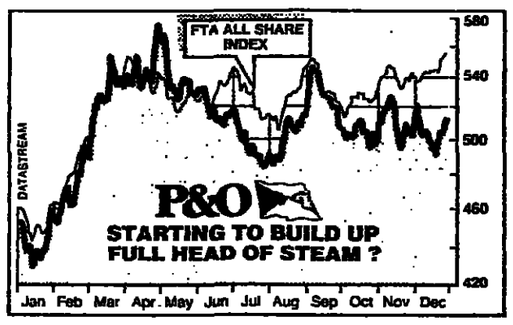
Pilkington shares were unchanged at 661p yesterday, but already stand more than 100p above BTR's original offer. Dealers are already bracing themselves for an increased offer from BTR of about 700p a share once Pilkington has published its defence document. At this price Pilkington is valued at £1.5 billion.

But it is far from certain that any increased offer from BTR will guarantee it victory. Most market men are predicting a close finish by the time the bid closes on January 24. BTR finished 3p higher at 271p.

The rest of the equity market remained in confident mood as hopes continued to rise for an early cut in bank base rates after the pound's stronger performance against the dollar on the foreign exchange market.

However, the continued absence of fund managers and brokers because of the extended Christmas break again had turnover down to a trickle. Leading equities enjoyed selective support, but closed below their best levels of the day.

● This time of year fund managers are on the look out for recovery stocks. One worth considering is Securiguard, the cleaning and security group. Full year profits are expected to rise from £715,000 to £1 million. That will be good news for the shares already standing at a peak of 138p.



The FT 30-share index traded in narrow limits for much of the day before closing 1.5 up at 1,308.6. The FT-SE 100 recovered from an earlier 3.6 fall to show a lead of 2.7 at midday. It finished the session 1.5 higher at 1,673.1

Government securities showed signs of running out of steam after their recent good run, but perked up in late trading as the pound continued to make headway against the ailing dollar. Prices at the longer end of the market sported gains of up to £¼.

British Gas slipped 0.5p to 64.5p in its partly paid form as turnover reached 41 million shares. **Peninsula & Oriental Steam Navigation** is enjoying something of a re-rating after this month's clearance by the Monopolies Commission of its stake in **European Ferries** and its subsequent decision to launch an agreed bid for the rest.

The shares, which advanced another 6p to 522p yesterday — for a two-day rise of 14p — have featured prominently among the list of new year tips in the financial press.

Dealers are convinced that the £287 million Euro Ferries acquisition is good news for P&O. It is also another success story for Sir Jeffrey Sterling, P&O's shrewd chairman, who has followed an aggressive acquisition policy since he joined the company in 1984.

He first merged his own publicly-quoted vehicle, Sterling Guarantee, with P&O in January, 1985 before launching a bid for Stock Conversion, the property group, earlier this year.

P&O has certainly shrugged off its sleepy image since Sir Jeffrey took over the reins and the City believes the best is yet to come.

Shares of **Pearson**, the conglomerate which owns *the Financial Times* and Lazard Brothers, the merchant bank, hit new heights, looking for a takeover approach in the new year.

The price advanced 10p to 615p, after 622p, as about 2.5 million shares changed hands

Lonrho, the overseas trader, enjoyed renewed selective support, climbing 4p to 247p with 2.1 million shares traded. Full-year figures are due next month, and investors already have their eyes focused on the expected handsome dividend of of about 11p a share.

● Apex Group, the New Zealand company which failed in its partial tender offer for PHIT is rumoured to be behind bid talks at property group, Standard Securities, up 15p at 250p yesterday. It is believed Apex will pay at, or above, Standard's 217p net asset value.

The figures themselves are unlikely to make exciting reading, with analysts looking for a rise in pretax profits from £158.3 million to about £163 million.

Guinness, the brewing and distilling company, continued to put up a fierce rearguard action in the face of more disclosures about the reasons for the Department of Trade inquiry.

Brokers report that there have been buyers of the stock, and this has kept the market short of stock. But the news after hours that Morgan Grenfell, which helped mastermind the acquisitions for both Arthur Bell and Distillers and has become embroiled in the DTI inquiry, had resigned as adviser to Guinness, hit the shares.

They eventually closed unchanged at 290p. The Morgan Grenfell share price lost ground with the news that Mr Roger Seelig had resigned from the board. The price closed 13p down at 370p.

The big four high street clearing banks were being chased higher as dealers braced themselves for the interim dividend season later in the new year.

ALPHA STOCKS

These prices are as at 6.45pm

1986 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer		Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E	Volume traded '000
393	283	Allied-Lyons	316	321	●	+3	14.5	4.5	14.6	493
174	126	ASDA-MFI	152	156		-½	4.5	2.9	16.8	1,200
455	375	BET	435	440		-3	24.3 [	5.5	15.9	316
330	241	BTR	269	273		+2	9.8	3.6	18.9	864
491	361	BAT	465	470		-2	18.4	3.9	12.2	598
572	449	Barclays	505	510		+3	28.1	5.5	7.3	1,100
840	625	Bass	735	745	●	+3	24.3	3.3	13.1	328
450	356	Beecham	438	443	●	-2	17.1	3.9	18.3	372
726	526	Blue Circle	673	678		+5	30.0	4.4	9.6	272
383	293	BOC	369	372		+1	15.4	4.2	14.5	388
289	170	Boots	229	232	●	-1	10.6	4.6	15.1	1,300
606	423	Br Aerospace	508	513		+6	23.4	4.6	10.8	1,100
65¾	61	Br Gas	64½	66½		+¼	9.3	14.2	..	41,000
722	530	Br Petroleum	717	722		-2	48.6	6.8	7.9	583
280	177½	Br Telecom	212	216	●	..	11.2	5.2	12.5	3,400
193	98	Britoil	168	170		-2½	8.3	5.5	4.5	5,300
354	256	Burton	282	286	●	-3	8.1	2.9	16.0	2,000
389	277	Cable & Wireless	325	332		-1	7.2	2.2	18.0	318
196	158	Cadbury Schweppes	186	189		-½	8.7	4.6	21.8	1,200
564	426	Coats Viyella	464	468	●	-2	17.9	3.8	13.9	322
336	257	Com Union	264	267		+3	17.4	6.5	..	1,300
704	409	Cons Goldfields	658	665		..	35.0	5.3	18.9	332
330	252	Courtaulds	305	308	●	-6	10.2	3.3	10.3	2,100
290	201	Dee Corp	208	213		+1	10.6	5.0	17.1	3,200
438	218½	Dixons Grp	315	319		..	4.3	1.4	22.5	730
650	408	Fisons	532	537	●	-2	8.4	1.6	23.8	304
954	701	Gen Accident	795	802	●	+1	34.3	4.3	20.1	74
226	158	GEC	182	186		-1	6.3	3.4	11.5	1,300
11¼	756½	Glaxo	10⅝	10½		..	20.0	1.9	22.0	612
481	326	Grand Met	457	462		-1	14.6	3.2	13.3	2,300
11½	721	GUS 'A	10¼	10⅝		..	15.7	1.5	14.4	14
774	720	GRE	770	777	●	+6	42.5	5.5	22.4	49
385	235	G[ION	266	269	●	+1½	17.9	6.7	9.0	1,100
355	274	Guinness	287	292	●	+3	11.8	4.0	11.0	3,200
215½	141	Hanson	188	191	●	-½	8.1	3.2	12.1	3,000
623	403	Hawker Siddeley	440	446	●	-5	21.4	4.8	9.8	450
12⅛	734	Imp Chem Ind	10⅝	10¾		..	48.6	4.5	12.0	802
583	395	Jaguar	528	533		+7	12.7	2.4	11.0	657

1986 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer		Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E	Volume traded '000
391	312	Ladbroke	380	385		+3	16.8	4.4	18.3	325
349	276	Land Securities	336	339		+2	14.5	4.3	22.6	221
288	133	Legal & Gen	252	257		+9	12.3	4.8	32.5	1,000
484	293	Lloyds	433	440		+2	25.0	5.7	7.0	700
283	183	Lonhro	248	248		+4	17.1	6.9	12.2	2,100
231	183	Marks & Spencer	177	180	●	-2	5.8	3.2	21.4	2,300
599	417	Midland	580	597		+11	37.1	6.2	22.0	755
593	426	Nat West	538	545		+9	27.8	5.1	5.7	976
576	428	P & O Dfrd	520	525		+4	26.4 b	5.0	15.0	884
618	383	Pearson	613	618		+11	15.4	2.5	20.6	2,300
664	315	Pilkington Bros	657	662	●	-1	21.4	3.2	17.5	2,100
246	162	Plessey	162	166		-½	7.2	3.9	13.6	1,500
942	718	Prudential	798	805		+6	38.6	4.8	52.9	850
234	148	Racal Elect	186	190		+6	4.3	2.3	19.9	12,000
589	421	Rank Org	523	530		+2	22.5	4.3	18.6	447
900	605	Reckitt & Coleman	862	869	●	+2	23.9	2.8	18.7	90
584½	345	Reuters	555	560		-6	5.4	1.0	42.2	1,300
791	511	RTZ	695	702	●	+6	31.4	4.5	9.3	193
532	365	Rowntree	397	402	●	..	18.0	4.5	11.1	547
967	762	Royal Ins	840	847	●	-6	38.6	4.6	69.2	277
426	344	Sainsbury (J)	416	420	●	+1	8.4	2.0	24.3	73
148½	104	Sears	122½	124		-1	5.0	4.0	15.9	1,200
415	300	Sedgwick Gp	297	302		-4	17.1	5.7	14.3	696
984	653	Shell	977	982		-1	51.4	5.2	9.7	446
132	93	Smith & Nephew	124	126		-1	3.5	2.8	21.3	881
177	96	STC	174	178		-1	2.1	1.2	18.3	286
894	419	Stan Chart	786	790		+5	46.4	5.9	9.7	1,500
365	256½	Storehouse	283	288	●	-1	11.9	3.8	15.2	859
772	520	Sun Alliance	635	642	●	+1	27.5	4.3	57.5	138
81¼	72	TSB P/P	74½	75½		+¾	6.1	8.1	..	—
420	265	Tesco	390	393		+1	8.9	2.3	22.4	172
529	374	Thorn EMI	457	474	●	+2	25.0	5.3	34.5	444
349	209	Trafalgar House	270	272	●	-1	18.9	7.0	10.1	347
209	139	Trusthouse Forte	176	178		+½	7.9	4.5	17.5	727
22	13¼	Unilever	21¾	21¾		..	60.1	2.8	20.0	58
269	216	Utd Biscuits	231	233	●	+1½	13.6 b	5.9	12.6	253
235½	174	Wellcome	233	235	●	-½	3.0	1.3	28.7	1,300
925	430	Woolworth	708	713		..	22.9	3.2	16.3	365

COMMENT

Time running out for BTR's bid strategy

Thus far, the £1.2 billion bid for Pilkington Brothers has been more a phoney war than a bloody battle. Any day now it is due to enter the second phase with BTR's Sir Owen Green, acknowledged master of many a takeover, in an unaccustomed position — on the ropes and apparently lacking a winning strategy.

By early next week Pilkington must disclose a profit forecast and any other fresh information it wishes to lay in front of shareholders before they decide the fate of a world leader in its industry. Soon after, probably next week, BTR will put a serious offer on the table.

So far the City has regarded Sir Owen's opening offer at best as a misjudgment of how investors rate Pilkington, and at worst as a misguided attempt to lever down expectations of what would be needed to win the day.

The original terms, presently worth about 540p a share, contrast with the confidently rising price of Pilkington shares, now standing at 661p. The chasm between those two figures is a measure of the credibility gap which BTR has to bridge before investors will even start to assess its arguments for putting the two very different companies under a single management.

BTR has so far failed to persuade with the detail of its arguments. More seriously for Sir Owen, his efforts have been and will continue to be hampered by a substantial shift of attitude towards conglomerate mergers in the past year or so.

Wall Street has long since finished its love affair with conglomerates. Few of those that were the glamour stocks of the 1970's managed to live happily ever after. Their spell of popularity ended for the most part in tears. Using highly rated paper to buy more lowly rated companies can look spectacular, producing steadily rising earnings per share. All too often, in American examples, when the growth ran out, what was left lacked logic, impetus and manageability.

It has taken longer for Britain to question seriously the long-term viability of the conglomerate. The defenders of Imperial Group in its long and unsuccessful fight against Hanson Trust raised most of the crucial arguments. Indeed, some would say that Hanson's shares have never recovered their poise since.

Meanwhile, a parallel debate has been developing over the bias in favour of conglomerate mergers embedded within Government attitudes toward competition policy. Since Norman Tebbit decreed that competition should become the prime criterion for assessing proposed mergers, it has become easier for businesses with widely disparate activities to grow by takeover. By definition, there is far less likelihood of overlap or conflict.

Hence a glass maker has little defence on competition grounds when confronted with a predator who makes everything but glass.

There is growing uneasiness about this side effect of Mr Tebbit's policy, otherwise considered a welcome improvement by most investors. But as Sir Gordon Borrie has pointed out, it produces a steady loss of independent decision-making centres in British business. Countervailing benefits are not always easy to find.

Apart from coming up with a reasonable offer for a company which has pulled itself up by the bootstraps magnificently over the past few years, BTR has also to persuade the world that a conglomerate has anything at all to offer a company with Pilkington's special characteristics.

A watery sunrise in Japan

The Japanese budget announced yesterday is hardly one designed to lead the world into a new boom. Spending is to rise by the smallest amount in 32 years with only defence and overseas aid rising significantly. The only stimulus comes from the delay in implementing some elements of the tax reform package, in particular the new VAT and removal of the tax exemption on small savings.

It is not the budget which the US Administration would have preferred, saddled with its huge balance of payments deficit. When US officials concluded the exchange rate "pact" with Japan in the autumn they were surely hoping for a little more expansion on the other side of the Pacific. And to rub salt into the wound the Japanese finance minister Kiichi Miyazawa yesterday said the dollar needed to rise by about 10 yen, seemingly contradicting the message given over the weekend by Japan's central bank governor Satoshi Sumita. Relations between treasury and central bank are seldom altogether harmonious even in as close-knit a nation as Japan.

The consolation is that Japan is officially expecting the contribution to growth from net exports to contract by 0.5 per cent next year. The massive fall in the dollar against the yen since the Plaza agreement in September last year has made life difficult for Japanese exporters.

Today's US current account figures will offer new evidence on whether the difficulties of Japan's exporters have provided relief for the US. So far the fall in value of America's own exports coupled with the efforts of other Far Eastern producers have kept the US deficit high.

COMPANY NEWS

● TR TRUSTEES CORPORATION: Interim dividend 2.4p (same), payable February 2. one-for-one capitalization proposed. Total revenue 4,622 (4,478), net revenue before tax 3,396 (3,302), tax 1,016 (1,062), earnings per ordinary share 2.66p (2.50). The board forecasts a final dividend of not less than the 2.4p at May 31.

● NORSK DATA: Mycro-Tek Inc and Norsk Data have entered into a joint marketing agreement which provides for the exclusive sales and support of Norsk Data's "comtec" integrated publishing system into the North American market by Mycro-Tek. This agreement covers an initial period of three years, during which Norsk Data expects that $50 million (£34.7 million) of revenues to Mycro-Tek and in excess of $30 million to Norsk Data will be generated. Mycro-Tek has independently raised fresh capital to fund its expansion to support this agreement.

● A MONK: Six months to Aug. 31. Turnover £64 million (£73 million). Pretax loss £1.54 million (£419,000 loss). Loss per share 9.1p (2.4p). The board is optimistic that pretax profit, before exceptional items, for the full year will be in line with expectations.

● GLEN ABBEY: An offshoot, Glen Abbey Hosiery, has been sold to John Pulsford for £200,000. The assets being sold have a book value of £424,000. Glen Abbey Hosiery has experienced severe competitive conditions in the domestic market. In the 11 months to end-Nov., it made a loss of £67,000 on sales of £3.15 million.

● FORMINSTER: Half-year to Oct. 31. Interim dividend 2.24p (2.03p), payable on Feb. 17. Turnover £8.63 million (£7.45 million). Pretax profit 698,480 (623,450). Earnings per share 11.05p (8.18p). The directors are confident that the full-year results will compare favourable with previous years. Current sales are encouraging.

● WPP GROUP: The company is to buy Harvard Capital Group, a financial communications company, based in New York. The price will be based on a multiple of 10 times the average profits after tax of Harvard for the three years to 1991, subject to a maximum of $12 million (£8.3 million). An additional performance payment of up to $2.4 million may be made in 1992.

● KELLOCK TRUST: Mr J N Oppenheim has sold 77,250 ordinary shares, reducing his holding to 6,502,750 ordinary (4.99 per cent).

● TOUCHE ROSS MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS: The firm has acquired the specialist distribution consultant, Planned Warehousing, of Guildford.

TEMPUS

Slow market reaction leaves Barrow's flank exposed

Defending yourself against a hostile bid is difficult at the best of times. For Barrow Hepburn, this looks like the worst possible moment since 1986 profits are apparently set to fall well short of last year's £2.3 million because of a poor performance from the engineering division.

Analysts have been downgrading estimates and are hoping that any shortfall will not point to a further decline in 1987. This may come as a shock to shareholders who had been led to expect better for 1986.

Looking on the brighter side, the most exciting part of Barrow Hepburn is a promising chemical compounds operation — which no doubt caught Yule Catto's eye.

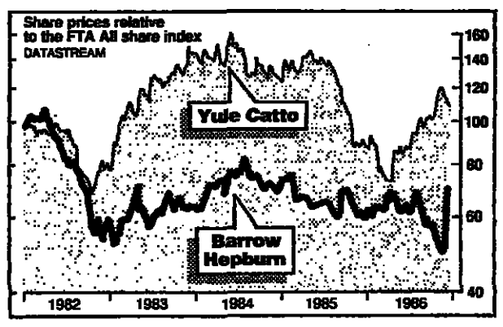
Even the engineering division has, in theory, the potential to provide a sound contribution to profits.

However, the market has been slow to appreciate Barrow Hepburn's move away from its origins in the tanning and leather goods industry and the quality of its earnings has been unimpressive. There has, for instance, been a stream of extraordinary items which have significantly eroded the asset value.

Yule Catto itself has had to live with a particular label — in this case plantations. But with the acquisition in 1980 of Revertex, a rubber and polymer operation, it became more vertically integrated. At the same time, a clutch of businesses which have provided attractive development opportunities were revealed.

Even so, the plantations label has stuck with Yule Catto to the extent that this is the main reason for the recent poor share price performance. Plantations profits suffered during 1986 and will represent a smaller proportion of the group profit — under 10 per cent.

Yule Catto is expected to make virtually the same profit in 1986 as last year — about £10.5 million. However, earnings, helped by a lower tax charge and the plantations minority, could rise by as much as 15 per cent.



Its strategy of moving into industrial chemicals and building products appears to be working well and the bid for Barrow Hepburn reinforces this policy.

Superficially, the structure of the bid (a convertible preference share plus cash or loan notes) suggests that Yule Catto is keen to avoid immediate dilution of its big shareholders' interests. However, the relatively low rating of the Yule Catto share price is a more likely explanation. An ordinary share alternative would, however, be welcomed.

Yule Catto's record looks the better of the two but in the right circumstances Barrow Hepburn ought to be able to make at least £3 million pretax, especially if it had the backing of the Yule Catto balance sheet.

Given the undoubted attractions to Yule Catto of Barrow Hepburn's chemicals business, a modest uplift in the current bid with an ordinary share element would prove more appropriate.

Financing

Institutional shareholder displeasure with Tootal's method of financing its latest acquisition, Standard-Coosa-Thatcher, turned out to be muted.

Only M & G voted against the acquisition on principle. The Prudential and other institutions, which had also raised objections to the financing, voted in favour.

The institutions, however, have fired a warning shot across the bows of any company not willing to heed their sensitivity over pre-emptive rights.

The institutions believed the discount of 8.6 per cent on the new Tootal shares was too great. A rights issue or a placing with 100 per cent clawback to the existing shareholders should have been used.

The institutions are sticking firmly to their guns that existing shareholders should have access to new shares and should not have their holdings diluted.

The investment committee of the Association of British Insurers has laid down guidelines of acceptable financing.

Vendor placings without clawback are permissable where less than 15 per cent of the equity of a company is being placed, but only if the discount from the market price is 5 per cent or less.

Even when less than 15 per cent of the equity is being placed, companies should try to place the shares pro rata with their shareholders.

In all cases of more than 15 per cent of the equity being placed, there should be a 100 per cent clawback arrangement.

The committee also suggests that "vendor rights" should be used wherever possible. By using an intermediary, shareholders are given the opportunity to sell their rights to shares not taken up.

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Assets & Earns	109.7	116.7●	+0.4	2.45
Capital Reserve	65.9	66.2	..	1.53
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General	139.3	148.1	+0.1	2.87
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UK Growth Inc	105.2	111.9	+0.2	1.40
Do Accum	152.2	161.9	+0.3	0.97
US Emerging Co's	50.7	53.9●	-0.4	0.09
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UK Special Sits	230.5	244.3	+0.3	3.27
Growth & Income	135.4	143.5	+0.4	3.18
Capital Trust	225.9	239.5	+0.6	2.89
Balanced	360.4	382.0●	+0.7	3.60
Accum Trust	558.1	591.6	+0.9	3.21
American Income	32.8	34.9	-0.4	4.27
High Income Tst	255.4	270.7	-0.4	4.84
Equity Income	141.6	150.1●	+0.3	5.13
High Yield	147.1	155.9	+0.4	5.42
Govt Secs Trust	27.8	28.6	+0.2	10.07
International	92.8	98.6	-0.9	0.82
Japan Fund	122.7	130.7●	-2.1	0.01
Pacific Trust	204.0	217.3●	-2.9	0.82
Amer Spcl Sits	66.4	70.7	-0.5	1.45
Secs Of Amer Tst	200.1	213.1●	-2.4	0.96
Ald Asset Value	234.2	248.2●	+0.6	3.42
Conv & Gilt Trust	34.2	35.9	+0.1	3.16
Smaller Co's	131.2	139.1	+0.2	3.10
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Capital Growth Inc	58.9	62.9●	+0.2	1.59
Do Accum	67.5	72.1●	+0.2	1.59
Ryl Tst Pacific Basin	152.9	161.3	+0.2	0.74
Do 6% Withdrawal	78.8	84.2	+0.1	0.74
Finance & Property	71.2	76.1	+0.2	3.69
Ryl Tst Fixed & Conv	47.0	49.4	..	8.26
Do Accum	79.8	84.0	..	8.26
Equity Income	78.5	83.9	+0.4	4.55
Do Accum	186.9	199.9	+1.1	4.55
High Yield Income	77.2	82.5●	+0.1	6.58
Do Accum	208.5	222.9●	+0.4	6.58
Intl Income	84.4	90.2	-0.9	2.09
Do Accum	86.7	92.7	-0.8	2.09
Do 5% Withdrwl	78.4	83.8●	-0.8	2.09
Managed Fund	89.2	89.7	-0.3	..
Preference Income	28.0	29.9c	..	10.38
Do Accum	91.8	98.1c	..	10.38
Ryl Tst Smr Co's	66.5	71.1	+0.2	2.25
Portfolio Tst UK	78.5	79.2	+0.4	1.42
Portfolio Tst Japan	100.6	104.2	+0.5	0.00
Portfolio Tst US	70.5	73.0	-0.2	1.02
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Intl Ex (22)	481.2	501.5c		0.65
Japan Ex (43)	439.6	459.5		0.20
UK Ex (31)	236.0	251.1●		1.34
P'sal Pens Intl	541.8	570.5		
P'sal Pens UK	231.5	243.7		
BG America	161.7	172.1	-1.6	0.00
BG Energy	165.4	176.0●	+0.3	1.92
BG Income Grwth	202.8	215.8●	+0.7	5.31
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American	47.4	50.4	-0.6	0.65
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Japan & General	113.4	120.6	-1.0	0.08
High Income	45.1	48.0●	+0.1	5.85
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America	85.8	90.7●	-1.2	1.55
Aust Accum	186.3	197.1●	-2.0	0.86
Do Income	131.4	139.0●	-1.4	0.86
Capital	71.3	75.4	+0.2	3.00
Exempt Trust	433.5	458.7	+1.2	4.20
Extra Income	75.8	80.2	+0.4	5.49
Financial	232.6	246.1●	+0.1	3.05
500	272.8	288.5	+0.3	3.13
General	141.4	149.6	+0.4	3.20
Gilt & Fixed Inc	51.2	53.8●	+0.5	10.18
Japan & Gen Inc	167.6	177.3	-2.6	0.00
Do Acc	169.5	179.4	-2.5	0.00
Growth Accum	181.4	191.9	+0.2	2.25
Income Trust	342.3	362.2	+1.4	3.90
Leisure Trust	80.8	85.5	+0.5	1.63
Special Situations	144.8	153.2	-0.2	2.37
Recovery	200.7	212.3	+1.0	2.87
Trustee Fund	106.6	112.7●	+0.3	3.01
Univ Tech Accum	54.8	57.9	-0.8	0.05
Do Income	54.2	57.3	-0.9	0.05
Worldwide Trust	150.5	159.2	-1.8	1.16
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	341.9	361.7	+1.8	3.35
Do Inc	218.2	230.8	+1.1	3.35
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Australia	79.0	84.4	-0.7	0.30
Eastern	73.9	79.0	-0.5	0.30
Equity Income	59.4	63.2	+0.2	5.80
Europe	137.0	147.8●	+0.7	1.00
Growth & Inc	83.6	89.2	-0.1	3.00
Japan Special	112.3	120.1	-0.5	0.30
Japan Sunrise	94.3	100.8	-0.4	0.30
First Europe	120.2	127.8	+0.5	0.80
First Japan	92.8	98.0	-0.4	1.10
First N Amer	48.6	53.4c	-1.1	1.10
First Smaller Co's	68.2	72.8	+0.1	2.70
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Amer Smr Co Inc	61.0	64.4	-0.7	1.08
Do Accum	62.4	65.8	-0.8	1.08
European Inc	102.9	108.6●	+0.2	1.21
Do Accum	125.9	133.9	+0.3	1.21
Fund of Inv Tr Inc	22.7	23.9	+0.1	2.54
Do Accum	29.0	30.6	..	2.64
General Inc	169.4	178.7	+1.1	2.90
Do Accum	230.8	243.5	+1.5	2.90
Gilt Yield Inc	107.2	110.6●	..	10.47
Do Accum	178.7	182.0	..	10.47
High Yield Inc	93.9	98.7●	+0.3	5.06
Do Accum	189.9	200.3	+0.6	5.06
Int Rec Inc	105.8	111.6●	+0.1	1.99
Do Accum	111.8	118.0●	+0.1	1.99
Japan Inc	238.8	253.0	-2.2	0.24
Do Accum	241.5	254.8	-2.3	0.24
Japanese Spec Inc	110.0	116.1	-1.0	0.08
Do Accum	110.4	116.5	-1.1	0.08
N American Inc	49.0	51.7●	-0.7	0.77
Do Accum	57.0	60.1●	-1.0	0.77
Pacific Inc	141.3	149.1	-1.0	0.58
Do Accum	159.3	168.1	-1.2	0.58
Planned Investment	135.4	143.2	..	4.05
Smaller Co's Inc	88.4	93.3●	+0.5	0.96
Do Accum	105.5	111.3	+0.5	0.96
Smaller Inc A				
UK Equity Gth Inc	27.6	29.1	+0.2	0.98
Do Accum	45.6	48.1	+0.3	0.98
Worldwide Tech Inc	40.9	43.2	-0.7	1.88
Do Accum	41.2	43.5	-0.8	1.88
KB High Yield Inc	133.6	140.8●	+0.4	5.52
Do Accum	225.3	237.7	+0.6	5.52
BROWN SHIPLEY 9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	136.9	145.3	-0.9	2.44
Smaller Co's Acc	240.9	256.0	+1.9	..
Do Income	153.8	162.8	+1.2	0.98
High Income	69.0	72.7	..	5.84
Income	77.8	83.2	+0.4	4.83
Man Portfolio Inc	66.8	71.5	+0.3	2.81
Do Acc	112.8	120.6	+0.4	..
North American	54.4	58.2●	-0.5	1.51
Orient	87.1	93.2	+0.4	0.23
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
Fellowship Inc	51.0	54.3	..	3.00
General Inc (4)	222.9	238.4●	..	2.57
Do Accum (4)	359.0	375.8	..	2.57
Income Fund (3)	103.6	108.3	..	5.05
Do Accum (3)	185.1	193.4	..	5.05
Intl Inc (2)	135.7	141.9	-1.8	0.87
Do Accum (2)	180.6	188.8	-2.1	0.87
Smaller Inc (5)	60.6	64.5a	..	2.73
Do Accum	65.4	69.3a	..	2.73
CS FUND MANAGERS 125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	84.3	89.7●	-0.9	0.56
CANNON FUND MANAGERS 1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB 01-902 8876				
Growth	295.5	312.7c	+0.9	2.90
Income	343.4	363.4c	+0.8	4.51
Far East	245.5	259.6	+0.6	0.24
North American	148.9	156.5	-1.7	0.59
Global	51.8	54.8	-0.3	0.82
European	57.6	60.9	+0.1	1.23
Japan	61.1	64.7	..	0.50
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ 01-621 0011				
Capital	373.0	398.9	+0.2	1.78
Income	287.8	306.2	+2.0	4.85
North American	286.5	304.8	-2.1	1.21
CATER ALLEN 1, King William St. EC4N 7AU 01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	89.4	94.5	+0.1	12.67
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND 2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	413.55		..	4.52
Fixed Int	131.3		..	10.89
Deposit	100.0		..	10.60
CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MANAGERS 72/73 Basinghall Street, London EC2V 5DP 01-606 6622				
S & C Special Sits	53.5	56.5	..	0.65
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND 2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 01-588 1815				
Income	394.68	c	..	4.94
Accum	£11.187	c	..	
Deposit	100.0		..	10.75
CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373393				
Amer Growth	24.1	25.6	-0.3	1.80
Equity High Income	44.3	46.9●	+0.1	4.40
European Growth	31.7	33.8	-0.2	2.00
General Equity	39.4	41.7	+0.1	2.80
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	28.2	29.7	+0.1	3.40
Gilt & Fixed Inc	23.4	24.7●	+0.1	9.50
Intl Inc Tst	25.9	27.5	-0.1	5.00
Japan Growth	34.7	36.8	-0.6	0.80
Pedigree Gth	24.6	26.1	..	2.50
COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD 161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU 01-726 1999				
Energy Trust	49.3	52.1	..	4.03
Extra Income	169.5	179.4	+0.4	5.21
Financial	177.8	189.0	+1.8	2.20
Gilt Strategy	56.5	58.3●	-0.1	1.97
Growth Investment	287.1	303.9	+0.2	2.53
Income & Growth	42.2	44.6●	..	4.56
Japanese Growth	190.6	201.7	-2.2	0.82
Nth Amer Growth	101.9	107.9	-1.5	1.61
Intl Recovery	115.0	121.6	-0.9	2.17
Smaller Co's	227.6	240.9	+0.6	1.57
Global Inc Tst	60.7	64.3●	-0.3	5.54
Special Sits Acc	295.3	312.5	+0.7	1.45
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 04862 5033				
High Income Trust	255.9	272.2	+0.8	4.80
Growth Trust	228.7	243.3	-4.8	2.95
American Trust	124.5	132.4c	-1.4	0.76
CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL 07372 42424				
UK Income	48.3	51.7	+0.1	4.72
UK Growth Accum	50.1	53.6	+0.1	2.41
Do Dist	50.1	53.6	+0.1	2.41
European Growth	59.2	63.3	-0.6	1.96
Pacific Growth	54.8	58.6	-1.0	0.61
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh 031-226 3492				
American Fund	69.3	73.8	-0.6	1.36
Capital Fund	102.8	109.4	+0.2	1.55
Growth & Inc Fund	134.2	142.9	+0.3	4.37
High Dist Fund	113.1	120.4	+0.4	5.61
International Fund	210.4	224.0	-1.0	1.00
Resources Fund	25.0	26.7	-0.4	0.37
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	34.4	36.6c	-0.4	..
Tokyo Fund	166.3	177.1	-3.2	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	140.5	144.3	-6.0	2.07
(Ex) Japan (3)	110.6	113.6●	-1.5	0.16
(Ex) Pacific (4)	331.8	340.9	-4.2	0.26
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	198.5	204.0	-1.6	0.10
Eurofund	29.1	31.0	-0.1	3.25
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ 0242 521311				
UK Balanced Inc	71.3	76.2●	+0.2	3.11
Do Accum	73.6	78.1●	+0.2	3.03
UK Growth Accum	91.4	97.0	..	2.11
UK High Inc Inc	69.0	73.2●	+0.1	4.77
N American Accum	66.8	71.2	-0.7	0.75
Far Eastern Accum	111.5	118.9	-1.8	0.85
European Accum	91.2	97.3	-0.4	1.18
UK Gilt & FI Inc	51.4	54.6●	+0.2	8.99
Do Accum	54.7	58.0●	+0.3	8.45
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB 0708-66966				
Endurance	111.0	118.1	..	3.03
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION 35, Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	77.1	82.1	..	3.39
High Income Trust	76.7	81.7	+0.6	5.54
Gilt & Fixed Int	50.5	53.8	+0.4	8.85
Tst Of Inv Trusts	73.6	78.3	-0.1	1.91
Special Sits Trust	78.3	83.3	+0.1	2.25
Nth Amer Trust	58.2	62.0	-0.7	1.71
Far Eastern Trust	98.9	105.3	-0.5	0.43
Intl Growth	55.2	58.8	-0.5	1.10
EQUITY & LAW St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1GD 0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	153.5	163.2	+1.3	3.23
Do Income	131.6	139.9	+1.1	3.23
Higher Inc Accum	257.4	273.8	+2.2	4.38
Do Income	203.4	216.3	+1.8	4.38
Gilts/Fixed Accum	95.8	101.8	+1.1	8.93
Do Income	79.9	84.1	+1.3	8.93
Nth Amer Tst Accum	131.7	140.1	-1.5	0.87
Far East Tst Accum	176.5	187.7	-2.2	0.07
Euro Tst Accum	173.6	184.5	-2.1	0.70
General Trust	242.5	257.9	+1.2	3.34
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT 1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
US Smaller Co's	69.9	73.4	-0.4	0.22
Capital Fund	112.9	120.2	-1.1	0.23
UK Income Fund	78.7	83.8	+0.5	4.70
Far Eastern Fund	75.6	80.5	-0.6	0.00
Overseas Income	73.8	78.8●	-0.6	3.43
Fixed Interest	54.8	58.3●	+0.1	9.00
Natural Res Fund	48.5	51.6	-0.3	3.30
European Income	85.8	91.3	-1.1	2.77
Financials Fund	48.4	51.5	-0.3	2.81
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS 190, West George St. Glasgow G2 2PA 041-332 3132				
Balanced Gth Inc	44.5	47.3	..	1.40
Do Accum	45.4	48.3	..	..
Income Gth Inc	40.5	43.1●	..	5.30
Do Accum	43.4	46.2●	..	..
Service Co's Inc	51.5	54.8	..	1.00
Do Accum	52.4	55.7	..	..
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY 0732 361144				
American	103.5	110.5	-1.4	0.81
Amer Equity Income	34.2	36.5	-0.4	4.50
Amer Special Sits	52.1	55.6	-1.0	0.23
Australia	32.6	34.8	-0.4	3.29
European	46.9	49.7	+0.1	0.00
Far East Inc	36.4	38.8●	+0.1	4.02
Gilt & Fixed Int	28.9	30.2	+0.1	9.89
Growth & Income	97.1	103.5●	+0.4	4.68
Japan Special Sits	42.0	44.7	+0.7	..
Japan	150.9	161.0	+2.1	..
Managed Int	142.5	152.1	-0.5	0.25
Max Income Equity	84.1	89.8●	..	5.07
Professional Gilt	34.1	36.4	+0.4	2.39
South East Asia	44.1	47.0	-0.1	0.14
Special Sits	173.4	185.5	-0.6	0.48
FLEMING (ROBERT) 8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£364.9	371.0	..	1.44
Japan Exempt	£464.6	473.7	..	0.74
Am Property Tst	$10000.0	c	..	5.00
Property Trust	£2023.0		..	5.80
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT 3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ 01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	204.6	218.4	-1.9	..
Do Accum	208.2	221.2	-1.9	..
Amer Turnaround Inc	196.2	209.6	-2.6	1.31
Do Accum	205.6	217.4	-2.9	1.31
Capital Tst Inc	213.0	225.2	+0.2	2.24
Do Accum	259.4	274.4	+0.2	2.24
Conv & Gilt Inc	88.8	93.5●	..	5.29
Do Accum	120.2	127.0●	..	5.29
Extra Inc Tst Inc	171.2	181.0	+0.6	4.49
Do Accum	185.6	196.2	+0.6	4.49
Income Trust	122.2	129.2●	+0.4	4.06
Do Accum	130.8	138.4●	+0.5	4.06
Int Growth Fd Inc	159.5	168.8	-0.6	..
Do Accum	177.2	187.4	-0.8	..
Japan & Gen Inc	94.8	100.0	-1.0	0.07
Do Accum	95.6	101.0	-1.1	0.07
Monthly Income Fd	86.4	91.4●	+0.2	4.83
Recovery	146.2	154.6	-0.4	1.46
Do Accum	160.0	169.2	-0.4	1.46
European Inc	67.8	71.6	-0.6	0.63
Do Accum	67.8	71.6	-0.6	0.63
Financial Inc	47.4	50.2	-0.5	1.00
Do Accum	47.4	50.2	-0.5	1.00
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	202.7	215.1	+0.4	2.73
Do Accum	341.2	362.2	+0.6	2.73
FP Fixed Int Dist	106.4	113.1	+0.8	6.36
Do Accum	125.7	133.7	+1.0	6.36
Stewardship Dist	177.9	188.8	-0.1	1.66
Do Accum	185.2	196.6	..	1.66
FUNDS IN COURT Public Trustee Kingsway WC2 01-405 4300				
Capital	369.4	370.7	..	2.69
Gross Inc	157.0	157.7●	..	7.35
High Yield	229.0	229.1	..	5.83
GT UNIT MANAGERS 8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
Amer Special Sits	60.7	64.6	-0.6	1.10
UK Cap Fnd Inc	103.5	110.2	..	2.70
Do Accum	148.8	158.3	..	2.70
Income Fund	78.8	83.9	+0.3	6.00
Pension Exempt	186.9	194.7	-0.5	1.70
International	174.0	185.2	+0.2	0.90
US & General	51.8	55.3●	-0.5	0.90
Tech & Growth	60.7	64.8	-0.6	1.10
Japan & General	248.3	262.0	-2.7	0.10
Far East & Gen	123.2	131.1●	-0.7	0.40
European Fund	279.1	297.0	+0.5	0.50
Germany Fund	77.5	82.5	+0.7	0.66
Intl Inc Fund	50.9	54.2●	-0.1	4.60
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	83.2	88.3	-0.6	0.70
Australian Trust	25.8	28.5	+0.2	0.15
British Tst Accum	64.3	68.3	-0.1	1.74
Do Dist	55.7	59.2	..	1.74
Commodity Share	70.9	75.5●	-1.0	1.60
European Trust	57.2	60.7	-0.4	0.60
Extra Income Trust	50.9	54.1	+0.3	4.94
Far Eastern Trust	148.7	157.8	-1.7	0.00
Fixed Interest Fund	25.5	27.1	..	10.56
Intl Fixed Int Tst	24.5	26.1●	+0.1	9.30
Global Fund Accum	189.4	197.8	-1.8	0.30
Do Dist	177.3	188.2	-1.7	0.30
Gold Share Trust	16.4	17.5●	-0.3	1.30
Hedged American	31.1	33.0●	-0.2	0.50
High Income Trust	147.7	156.8	+0.3	5.50
Hong Kong Trust	39.2	41.6	..	1.20
Income Fund	80.8	85.8	+0.2	2.59
Insurance Agencies	£51.48	53.22c	+0.17	1.97
Japan Trust	135.7	144.0	-2.5	0.00
Managed Exempt	262.7	273.7	+0.2	2.18
Oil & Energy Trust	37.5	39.8	..	2.70
Special Sits Trust	103.1	109.4	..	0.78
UK Smr C's Rec Tst	76.9	81.6	+0.3	1.03
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	87.8	93.4●	+0.1	1.13
American Growth	64.0	68.0c	-0.6	0.91
American Inc	70.5	75.0	-0.3	4.53
European Growth	241.5	256.9	-1.2	0.43
Gold & Minerals	46.7	49.9	-0.2	0.69
Japan Growth	153.4	164.0c	-2.2	..
GRE UNIT MANAGERS Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN 01-588 9903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	113.3	117.8	+0.5	9.50
Growth Equity	200.4	212.1●	-0.3	2.05
Guardhill	278.2	288.2	-1.3	2.86
N American	140.9	149.8	-2.6	1.41
Pacific	267.1	282.7	-2.6	0.09
Property Share	279.1	295.4	+0.2	1.35
Smaller Companies	220.4	233.3	-0.8	1.67
European Trust	272.2	288.1●	+1.2	0.96
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ 01-623 9333				
High Income	51.1	54.8	+0.1	6.47
N Amer Trust	111.2	118.3	-1.5	0.78
Recovery	238.8	254.1	..	1.90
Gilt Trust	37.2	38.5●	+0.2	9.40
St Vincent Inc	87.6	90.4	+0.4	5.20
St Vincent US Gth	70.9	73.9	-0.8	0.78
Temple Bar Sm Co's	187.1	197.4●	..	3.42
Euro Gth Tst	48.3	51.1	-0.3	0.80
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Admin: 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. Enquiries 0277 227300 Dealing 0277 217918				
Hambros Smlr Co's	138.8	147.3	+0.1	1.76
Hambros N Amer	84.1	89.0●	-0.9	0.06
Hambros Jap & F E	129.5	137.4	-1.9	0.44
Hambros Scandvn	79.8	84.8	-1.0	0.91
Hambros European	109.1	114.7	-0.7	0.80
Hambros Canadian	49.5	52.5	-0.2	1.24
Hambros Equity Inc	87.2	92.5●	+0.2	5.08
Hambros High Inc	60.8	64.5	+0.2	5.43
Hambros Res Assets	63.5	67.4	-0.5	1.88
Hambros Intl Sits	58.2	58.6	-0.2	0.84
HENDERSON Premier UT Administration Admin 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. Enquiries 0277 227300 Dealing 0277 217238				
Amer Recovery Tst	108.6	116.2●	-0.7	0.17
Amer Smaller Co's	48.6	52.9	..	0.40
Australian	86.1	92.1	-0.8	1.15
Capital Growth Inc	69.5	74.4	+0.8	1.59
Do Accum	69.1	73.6	+0.9	1.59
European	273.8	293.4	-2.1	0.71
Euro Inc Tst	48.7	51.3	..	4.02
Euro Smaller Co's	107.2	114.0	-0.7	0.09
Extra Income	179.0	191.4●	+0.3	4.15
Financial Trust	158.0	168.1●	+0.9	2.90
Fixed Interest Tst	53.1	55.2●	+0.5	10.18
Gilt Trust	41.6	44.3	+0.3	9.18
Global Healthcare	74.9	79.8	..	0.01
Global Resources	82.3	87.5	+0.2	1.02
Global Tech	112.4	119.7●	+1.2	0.01
Gold	60.9	65.1	-1.1	2.88
High Income Tst	192.0	205.4	+0.3	4.48
Hong Kong	71.3	75.8	-0.8	1.20
Income & Growth Inc	147.7	157.1●	+0.1	3.40
Do Accum	292.8	311.3●	+0.2	3.40
Income Assets	113.4	120.6	..	3.21
International	184.2	197.0	-1.8	0.80
Japan Special Sits	182.8	194.5	-2.5	0.01
Japan Tst	178.7	189.0	-2.7	0.01
North American	139.5	149.2	-1.7	0.65
Pacific Smaller Co's	82.7	88.0	-0.6	1.14
Pref & Gilt	46.4	49.4●	+0.5	10.20
Recovery Tst	105.0	111.8	+1.0	2.51
Singapore & Malay	34.0	36.4	-0.3	1.40
Smaller Co's Div	124.0	132.8	+0.1	4.29
Special Sits Inc	139.9	148.8	+1.4	1.89
Do Accum	197.8	210.7	+1.8	1.89
Worldwide	387.8	408.2	..	2.92
Euro Exempt	134.9	141.5	-0.8	1.87
Global Tech Exempt	89.5	94.2	-1.0	1.07
High Income Exempt	124.9	131.5●	+0.5	4.40
Japan Exempt	174.8	184.1	-3.1	0.23
N Amer Exempt	84.4	88.8●	-1.0	1.40
Pacific Exempt	204.0	214.7	-0.1	2.08
Smaller Co's Exempt	119.5	125.8●	-0.1	1.66
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 01-686 4355 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	547.9	579.8	+2.0	3.09
Capital Trust Units	104.3	110.4	+1.1	2.65
Dollar Trust Units	186.2	197.1	-2.1	2.45
European Trust	151.6	160.5	+0.5	0.95
Far East Trust	143.3	151.7●	-0.7	0.06
Financial Trust	374.8	396.7	+1.1	2.72
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	27.0	28.1●	+0.2	10.20
Do Growth	40.0	42.5	..	8.00
High Yield Trust	66.5	70.4●	+0.1	5.12
Income Trust	84.1	89.0	+0.3	4.62
International	139.3	147.5	-0.9	1.76
Japan Tech Tst	40.2	42.6●	+0.2	0.00
Natural Resources	37.9	40.1	-0.3	1.36
Security Trust	191.2	202.4	+0.4	3.24
Smaller Cos	90.7	96.0	+0.2	1.68
Special Sits	99.5	105.3	+0.3	2.39
US Smaller Cos	23.8	25.2	-0.1	0.99
IBI FUND MANAGERS 32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB 01-222 1000				
IBI Brit & O'seas	142.4	150.7●	..	1.68
IBI Inc Plus	57.8	61.2	..	9.20
IBI Capital Growth	58.4	61.8	..	1.90
Investment Tst Fnd	77.0	81.5●	..	3.34
KEY FUND MANAGERS 35, Fountain Street, Manchester (03038) 93364				
Equity & Gen	46.1	49.2	..	1.83
Gilt & Fixed Int Fund	62.4	66.4	..	10.86
Higher Inc	118.8	127.1●	+0.1	5.02
Income	51.2	54.7●	+0.1	3.48
International	273.8	292.8●	-2.0	1.50
KLEINWORT BENSON 'SEE BARRINGTON MGMT CO LTD'				
L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT Piercy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE 01-588 2800				
Income Fund	453.8	463.1	..	5.24
International & Gen	267.1	272.6	..	0.98
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex 0277 234634				
Equity Distribution	273.5	291.1	+0.2	2.70
Do Accum	432.8	460.4	+0.3	2.70
Do Income	62.8	66.8	+0.1	4.86
European	77.5	82.4	-0.6	1.57
Far Eastern	120.7	128.4	-1.8	0.70
Gilt Trust	73.8	78.1	+0.2	7.57
O'seas Equity	85.4	90.8●	-0.9	1.66
Natural Res	73.2	77.9	-0.7	1.81
N American Trust	80.7	85.8	-0.4	1.59
UK Special Sits	66.0	70.2●	-0.2	0.26
International Bond	47.2	50.2	-0.4	6.96
Japanese Tst	51.6	54.9	-1.0	0.91
Managed Tst	48.3	51.4	-0.4	2.92
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex 0444 459144				
Balanced	187.0	198.9	+0.3	3.12
Do Accum	337.4	358.9	+0.5	3.12
Cont Euro Gth Inc	47.0	50.0	-0.1	0.63
Do Accum	47.0	50.0	-0.1	0.63
Energy Intl	55.6	59.1	-0.5	2.91
Do Accum	62.3	66.2	-0.5	2.91
Extra Income	162.2	172.5●	+0.2	5.10
Do Accum	297.4	316.3●	+0.5	5.10
German Gth Inc	75.1	79.8	-0.2	0.14
Do Accum	75.3	80.1	-0.2	0.14
Income	278.4	298.1	+0.6	4.53
Do Accum	559.1	594.7	+1.5	4.53
Intl Tech	192.6	204.8●	-2.3	0.27
Do Accum	201.4	214.2●	-2.4	0.27
Japan Growth	82.1	87.3	-1.4	0.02
Do Accum	82.3	87.5	-1.5	0.02
N Amer & Gen	104.5	111.1	-1.3	1.21
Do Accum	112.8	119.9	-1.5	1.21
Pacific Basin	146.7	156.0	-1.9	0.01
Do Accum	153.1	162.8	-2.0	0.01
Smaller Cos & Rec	198.3	210.9●	+0.1	2.05
Do Accum	224.0	238.2●	+0.1	2.05
Worldwide Growth	213.4	227.0●	-2.1	0.38
Do Accum	300.7	319.8●	-2.8	0.38
UK Growth Fund	49.4	52.5	+0.1	1.96
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 52155				
General Trust	44.5	47.3●	+0.1	3.60
Income Trust	37.4	39.8	+0.1	6.10
International Trust	37.7	40.1	-0.5	0.80
American	32.1	34.1●	-0.6	2.00
Japan	47.5	50.5	-1.2	0.00
Trust of Inv	32.3	34.3	..	2.10
M & G SECURITIES Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	216.6	228.5	-3.6	1.44
Do Accum	252.5	265.4	-4.2	1.44
Amer Recovery	234.8	247.5	-2.8	0.53
Do Accum	256.7	270.8	-3.0	0.53
Am Smaller Co Acc	54.5	57.5	-0.7	0.43
Australia Acc	129.8	136.9	+0.1	0.48
Commodity Acc	243.3	256.7	+0.2	2.65
Compound Growth	425.6	455.4	+2.5	3.29
Conversion Growth	340.3	364.1	+1.7	2.72
Do Inc	197.9	208.8	+0.9	3.74
Dividend Fund Inc	422.8	445.8●	+2.0	5.14
Do Accum	£12.84	13.34●	+0.05	5.14
European Acc	288.0	303.8	+1.0	0.88
Extra Yield Inc	237.9	251.0	+1.0	5.54
Do Accum	521.8	550.5	+2.1	5.54
Far Eastern Inc	164.8	173.6	-1.4	1.30
Do Accum	201.1	212.2	-1.8	1.30
Fund Of Inv Inc	267.5	282.2●	+0.6	2.89
Do Acc	424.3	447.6	+1.0	2.89
General Income	647.3	682.9●	+2.2	3.93
Do Accum	£13.92	14.69●	+0.04	3.93
Gilt & Fixed Int	57.0	59.8●	+0.1	9.87
Do Accum	89.4	93.9●	+0.1	9.87
Gold Income	45.0	47.9	-0.6	2.34
Do Accum	48.0	51.1	-0.7	2.34
High Income Inc	328.9	347.0●	+1.4	5.24
Do Accum	906.4	956.3	+3.8	5.24
Intl Growth Inc	787.3	830.6	-4.4	1.77
Do Accum	£12.67	13.37	-0.07	1.77
Intl Inc	61.8	65.0	-0.2	5.13
Japan Acc	848.4	893.0	-4.9	0.15
Japan Smaller Acc	85.5	90.6	-1.0	0.00
Midland & Gen Inc	586.2	620.6	+2.2	4.18
Do Accum	£15.07	15.90	+0.05	4.18
Recovery Fund Inc	381.5	402.5●	+1.9	3.30
Do Accum	489.7	527.2	+2.4	3.30
Second Gen Inc	740.4	781.1●	+2.4	3.54
Do Accum	£14.82	15.64●	+0.04	3.54
Smaller Cos Inc	698.3	745.0	+0.9	2.72
Do Accum	£10.97	11.74	+0.01	2.72
Trustee Fund Inc	465.1	490.8	+1.1	4.36
Charibond Inc (3)	105.1		..	11.57
Charifund Inc (2)	412.2	416.4	+2.8	5.65
Pension Exempt (1)	483.2	502.6	..	4.29
NAACIF Inc (3)	38.3		..	8.34
Do Accum (3)	462.7	●	..	8.34
MIM BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 74/78, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1JD 01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Growth Gilt	59.7	60.6	..	0.41
Smaller Co's	142.2	150.9	..	1.29
UK Market Features	88.3	91.6	..	1.72
Do Accum	90.4	95.9	..	1.72
General Funds				
UK Growth	37.9	40.2●	..	2.15
Managed Inv	58.8	62.4	..	2.61
High Income Funds				
Extra Inc	58.4	62.0	..	7.23
Gilt	24.0	25.3●	..	8.42
Inc & Growth	207.7	220.4	..	4.04
Nat High Inc	201.4	213.7	..	4.55
Pref Shares	17.2	18.2●	..	10.93
Sector Specialist Funds				
Commodity	143.7	152.5●	..	2.27
Financial Secs	48.2	51.1●	..	2.07
Gold	58.6	62.7	..	0.56
Do Accum	60.6	64.9	..	0.58
Int Leisure	15.0	15.9●	..	0.57
Prop Shares	65.6	69.8	..	1.05
Univ Energy	45.6	48.2	..	1.60
World Tech	42.3	44.9	..	0.84
Exempt Funds				
Exempt	86.7	90.3	..	3.55
Overseas Growth Fund				
Amer Growth	100.5	106.6	..	3.15
Aust Growth	84.2	89.3	..	1.30
European Perf	92.3	97.9	..	0.91
Do Accum	92.5	98.1	..	0.91
Euro Smaller	17.3	18.4	..	0.19
Far East	61.2	64.9	..	0.88
Hong Kong	35.2	37.4	..	1.77
Intl Growth	38.3	40.6	..	1.45
Intl Recovery	109.4	116.1	..	2.55
Japan Perf	74.1	78.6	..	0.00
Japan Smaller Cos	15.8	16.8	..	0.00
US Small Co	65.5	69.6	..	0.00
Do Accum	66.2	70.2	..	0.00
Overseas Income Funds				
Intl High Inc	57.3	60.8	..	4.94
US Income	58.7	62.3	..	5.46
Do Accum	63.7	67.6	..	5.03
NEL Trusts				
Nelstar Gilt	69.1	70.9	..	10.42
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX 0622 674751				
MLA American	23.4	24.8	-0.3	1.00
MLA General	34.0	36.0●	..	2.08
MLA International	59.8	63.3	-0.3	0.83
MLA Gilt Unit	22.5	23.8●	+0.1	10.92
MLA Income	43.4	46.0●	..	4.89
MLA European	32.1	34.0	-0.3	0.73
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts 0438 356101				
Growth Units	78.9	83.8	..	2.91
Gilt & Fixed Int	108.9	110.7	..	7.43
High Income Units	119.5	127.0	..	4.39
High Yield Gilt Unit	57.5	59.5	..	8.91
Intl Growth Units	142.2	151.1	..	0.32
N American Units	73.2	77.8	..	0.71
Far East Units	102.7	109.1	..	0.17
Smaller Cos Fund	78.6	83.5	..	2.10
MENCAP UNIT TRUST Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd, E7 01-234 5544				
Mencap	137.1	145.0	+0.4	5.14
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33, King William St, EC4R 9AS 01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	95.6	101.1	-1.0	1.07
Do Accum	99.6	105.3	-1.0	1.07
Amer Income	50.6	53.5	-0.6	3.55
Do Accum	54.0	57.1	-0.6	3.55
European Growth	143.3	151.6	+0.5	0.94
Do Accum	148.4	157.0	+0.6	0.94
General	251.2	265.8	-0.3	2.00
Do Accum	412.5	436.5	-0.4	2.00
Gilt & Fixed	82.3	82.7●	+0.5	6.94
Do Accum	88.0	88.4●	+0.6	6.94
Income	86.2	91.2	+0.2	4.12
Do Accum	97.1	102.7	+0.2	4.12
International	264.5	279.8●	-1.9	1.54
Do Accum	329.3	348.4●	-2.4	1.54
Japan	179.8	190.2	-2.0	0.00
Do Accum	183.9	194.6	-2.1	0.00
Recovery	206.6	220.9	+0.6	2.22
Do Accum	225.2	238.3	+0.7	2.22
Exempt Dist	249.5	255.8	+2.7	2.81
Exempt Accum	386.9	396.8	+4.3	2.91
Euro Income Fund	82.0	86.7●	+0.3	3.46
Do Accum	84.2	89.1●	+0.3	3.46
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Courtwood Hse, Silver St, Head, Sheffield S1 3RD 0742 769842				
Capital Income	79.9	84.7	-0.1	2.28
Do Accum	108.4	115.3	-0.2	2.28
Commodity & Gen	129.3	137.2	-0.4	2.75
Do Accum	184.1	195.3	-0.6	2.75
Extra High Inc	59.4	63.0	+0.2	8.00
Do Accum	70.2	74.5	+0.1	8.00
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.9	53.1●	+0.4	9.55
Do Accum	85.9	89.7●	+0.4	9.55
High Yield	159.2	168.9	+0.7	5.65
Do Accum	276.4	293.3	+1.2	5.65
Income	177.1	187.9	+0.9	3.76
Do Accum	293.4	311.3	+1.5	3.76
Japan & Pacific	297.4	315.5	-5.1	0.21
Do Accum	311.9	330.9	-5.2	0.21
N American Inc	112.5	119.4●	-1.4	1.52
Do Accum	135.4	143.7●	-1.6	1.52
Euro Gth Inc	134.5	142.6●	-0.8	1.38
Do Accum	161.9	171.8●	-0.9	1.38
Managed Portfolio	53.3	56.4	-0.3	3.58
Smaller Cos Inc	122.0	129.4	..	2.39
Do Accum	130.1	138.1	-0.1	2.39
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH 041 221 9252				
American	116.3	126.2	-1.4	3.11
European	269.2	287.3	-2.2	1.30
Smaller Cos	225.3	240.5●	-0.1	1.39
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS 48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200 Ext 289				
NPI UK	204.2	217.3●	+0.4	3.10
Do Accum	333.5	354.9●	+0.6	3.10
NPI Overseas	829.8	870.1	-5.4	1.10
Do Accum	771.2	820.5	-6.5	1.10
Far East Acc	95.4	101.5	-1.8	0.60
American Acc	61.0	64.9●	-0.7	3.10
European Acc	59.4	63.2	-0.1	0.40
Worldwide Acc	56.3	59.9	-0.4	1.10
NORWICH UT MANAGERS PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG 0603 622200				
Group Trust	£12.49	13.14	+0.00	3.62
Intl Trust	139.1	148.4	-1.5	1.31
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT 66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0				
International Growth	153.9	163.9	..	0.35
Income & Growth	59.5	63.3	..	3.69
Worldwide Rec	97.5	103.7●	..	0.65
American Growth	32.3	34.4	..	..
Japan Growth	54.0	57.5●	..	0.00
European Growth	75.2	80.0	..	0.03
UK Growth	54.1	57.5●	..	1.63
Pacific Growth	45.8	48.7●	..	..
High Income	34.9	37.2	..	7.35
Practical Income	83.0	87.0	..	1.89
Do Accum	115.5	122.8	..	1.89
PEARL TRUST 252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB 01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	92.4	98.3	+0.1	2.33
Do Accum	138.7	147.5	+0.2	2.33
Income Fund	125.5	133.5	+0.3	3.77
Intl Equity Inc	140.0	148.9	-1.0	1.30
Do Accum	141.2	150.2	-1.0	1.30
Unit Trust Inc	131.2	139.6●	..	2.82
Do Accum	229.8	244.3●	..	2.82
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames 0491 576868				
Intl Growth	279.0	297.8	-2.0	0.74
Income	193.5	206.1	+0.2	4.78
Worldwide Rec	155.7	166.2	..	1.39
Amer Growth	66.7	71.2	-0.6	0.83
Intl Emerg Co's	82.7	88.3	+0.7	0.56
Far East Grwth	85.4	91.2●	-0.7	0.83
European Gth	62.1	66.3●	-0.5	1.29
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 222, Bishopsgate, London EC2 01-247 7544/7				
International	124.1	132.1	-0.8	0.92
High Income	62.4	66.8	+0.2	4.11
Conv & Gilt	98.8	105.2●	-0.1	5.91
Far Eastern	188.3	200.8	-0.1	0.18
North American	126.6	134.7	-0.3	0.07
Special Sits	71.4	76.4●	+0.1	1.81
Technology	114.2	122.2●	+0.4	0.00
Extra Income	91.1	97.5●	-0.2	4.45
Euro Gth & Inc	48.1	51.2	-0.2	3.09
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 31-69, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL 01-478 3377				
Holborn Equity	413.1	437.1	+0.6	3.01
European	110.0	118.3●	-1.3	0.53
Holborn Comms	52.9	55.8	+0.3	0.86
Holborn High Inc	65.6	69.4●	+0.1	6.13
Holborn Intl	103.6	109.6	-1.4	0.78
Japanese	105.0	111.1	-1.6	0.05
N American	75.3	79.6●	-0.9	0.81
Holborn Spec Sits	66.3	70.1●	+0.1	1.91
Holborn UK Growth	82.8	87.6	-0.1	1.98
Holborn Gilt Trust	185.9	193.7	+1.1	2.44
Holborn Smlr Cos	51.2	54.1	+0.2	2.13
Holborn Eqty Inc	48.7	51.5	+0.2	4.94
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY 31-45 Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH 01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	451.4	477.7	+5.0	2.75
Quadrant Income	249.8	264.4	+2.7	5.25
Quadrant Intl Fd	416.5	440.6	..	1.58
Quadrant Recovery	280.9	297.3	+5.7	2.35
NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU 01-280 5456				
NC Income	89.5	95.2●	+0.2	3.94
NC Japan	197.0	209.5c	-2.7	..
NC Major UK Co	52.0	55.3●	..	2.27
NC Smaller Aus	69.4	73.8	+0.5	1.27
NC American Inc	273.2	290.6	-2.7	1.19
Do Accum	298.3	317.3	-2.9	1.19
NC Smaller Cos	145.5	154.8	-0.2	1.85
NC Smlr Europ Co's	197.3	209.8●	-1.4	0.37
NC Exempt Gilt	£119.0	124.0	..	9.21
ROWAN UNIT TRUST 33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS 01-638 5678				
American (4)	226.0	280.0	..	1.70
Securities (2)	742.5	757.5	+23.6	2.25
High Yield (5)	176.5	180.0●	..	6.84
Merlin (2)	430.0	438.0	..	1.35
Fixed Interest	162.5	183.5	+1.5	2.50
High Interest	110.0	111.0●	-0.5	13.78
Far East (2)	240.5	247.0	+6.5	0.05
ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051-227 4422				
Equity Trust	82.6	88.2	+0.2	2.80
Intl Trust	77.3	81.7	-0.6	1.40
Gilt Trust	24.7	25.9●	+0.1	8.86
US Trust	33.1	35.0	-0.4	1.82
Pacific Basin Tst	48.3	48.9	-0.8	0.48
20 Clifton St, London EC2 01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	115.1	121.8●	+0.8	1.63
Do Accum	162.5	172.0●	+0.8	1.63
High Income Trust	91.5	96.9●	+0.1	4.38
Do Accum	109.5	115.0●	..	4.38
US Growth	56.4	59.7	-0.5	0.85
Do Accum	57.6	61.0	+0.2	0.95
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 576115				
American Growth	82.0	87.3	-1.3	0.84
Gilt Income	51.9	54.7●	+0.3	8.48
High Income	80.5	85.7●	..	4.79
Income & Growth	99.6	105.0	+0.2	4.22
Japan Growth	94.8	100.9	-1.0	0.03
Special Sits	115.4	122.8	+0.3	1.24
UK Growth Tst	44.7	47.6a	..	2.13
SAVE & PROSPER 28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB (Romford) 0708-66966				
Amer Inc & Growth	66.7	70.9	-0.5	7.26
Capital Units	105.0	111.7●	-0.4	1.21
Commodity	55.4	58.9	-0.3	0.77
European Growth	120.7	128.4●	+0.3	0.57
Financial Secs	97.9	104.1●	-0.1	1.96
High Return Units	189.6	201.7	+0.4	4.92
High Yield Units	168.5	179.2	+0.5	4.27
Income Units	96.2	102.3	+0.2	5.76
Investment Trust	95.5	101.6	-0.2	2.58
Japan Growth	101.7	108.1	-0.9	0.00
Japan Smaller Cos	120.6	128.5	-1.1	0.00
Masterfund	30.5	32.4●	..	2.60
Scotbits	133.4	141.9	-0.3	2.68
Scotshares	154.2	164.0●	+0.3	4.09
Scotyields	158.6	168.7	+0.8	4.38
Select International	81.9	87.1	-0.3	1.11
Smaller Co's Inc	165.0	175.5	+0.5	4.28
Special Situations	98.8	105.1	+0.1	1.56
UK Equity	184.7	196.4	+0.5	3.06
US Growth	72.4	77.0	-0.9	1.32
Universal Growth	92.0	97.8	-0.4	1.13
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
American Acc	133.5	142.0●	-1.9	0.60
Australia Acc	88.4	94.5	+3.3	1.11
European Inc	131.0	139.3	-1.1	0.90
Do Accum	135.2	143.8	-1.0	0.90
Gilt & Fixed Inc	52.9	55.8	+0.1	9.01
Gold Fund Inc	41.8	44.4	-0.2	1.69
Do Accum	44.0	46.8	-0.2	1.69
Income	181.2	192.7●	+0.6	5.06
Intl Income	120.7	128.3●	-0.5	0.53
Do Accum	166.8	177.4●	-0.8	0.53
Jap Smaller Co's Ac	140.3	149.2	+0.8	0.00
Sing & Malay Acc	67.4	71.6●	-0.8	0.80
Smaller Co Inc Acc	139.1	147.9●	..	1.14
Special Sits Inc	109.4	116.3	+0.1	0.93
Do Accum	114.2	121.4	+0.1	0.93
Tokyo Fund Inc	239.6	254.8	-2.1	0.00
Do Accum	241.9	257.3	-2.2	0.00
US Smaller Co's Ac	50.1	53.2●	-0.5	0.00
UK Equity Inc	106.1	112.8	..	3.21
Do Accum	164.6	175.1	+0.1	3.21
Far East Gth Accum	64.3	68.3	-0.5	0.50
Extra Inc	63.6	67.6●	+0.2	7.34
SCIMITAR ASSET MANAGEMENT 33-38 Gracechurch St London EC3V 0AX 01-623 5776/8711				
UK Equity Inc	26.0	27.3	+0.3	5.20
Do Acc	26.3	27.6	+0.4	..
Euro Tst Inc	28.8	30.8●	-0.2	0.20
Do Acc	28.8	30.6●	-0.2	..
Global Gth Inc	29.9	31.8●	+0.3	0.70
Do Acc	30.0	31.9●	+0.3	..
Managed Exempt	124.7	129.9	+1.5	2.55
Pacific Basin	24.0	25.5	..	..
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031-556 9101				
Intl Income Units	153.3	163.1	+1.6	2.59
Do Accum	231.1	245.9	+2.3	2.59
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	184.7	197.6	+0.3	1.78
American	145.9	156.1	-2.3	1.32
Pacific	203.7	217.9	-2.7	0.05
European	264.3	282.7	-2.0	0.51
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS 109, Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041-248 6100				
UK Equity	171.8	182.8	+0.1	2.64
Gilt & Fixed	112.1	119.3	+0.4	8.13
UK Smlr Co's Eq	153.5	163.4	+0.3	2.32
European	219.9	234.0	-0.1	0.84
N American	117.4	124.9	-1.5	1.47
Pacific	197.9	210.6	-1.5	0.33
SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST 29, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 4372				
Pacific	71.7	76.2	-0.5	0.00
World Growth	39.6	42.1●	-0.2	0.75
N American	32.2	34.2	-0.1	0.00
Income Fund	46.3	49.2●	+0.2	4.85
European	46.9	49.8	..	0.78
N Amer Inc	26.7	28.4	-0.3	1.86
UK Growth	31.7	33.7	..	2.01
Extra Inc	33.0	35.1●	+0.1	5.59
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031-655 6000				
Peg Eq Inc	238.8	252.0	+0.5	2.85
Do Accum	276.6	294.4	+0.6	2.85
SENTINEL FUNDS MANAGEMENT 30, City Rd, London EC1Y 2AY 01-638 6011				
Amer Tech & Gen	102.0	108.6	-0.6	0.54
Pacific	213.5	227.5	-0.9	0.00
Sec Income Fnd	176.2	187.6	-0.4	4.84
Special Situations	231.0	246.0●	..	1.49
Intl Growth	43.8	46.6	-0.4	0.18
American Majors	69.1	73.5●	-0.8	1.26
Small Co's	42.5	45.2	..	1.57
Japan Tech & Gen	110.3	117.4	-1.5	0.00
International Income	58.6	62.4	..	5.83
Exempt	582.4	609.5	-0.2	2.25
UK General	35.4	37.7●	..	3.63
Euro Growth	41.3	44.0	-0.4	0.32
Euro Income	50.6	53.8●	-0.4	4.00
STANDARD LIFE 3, George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552				
Income Units	25.5	27.1	+0.1	2.64
Do Accum Units	28.6	30.4	+0.1	2.64
STEWART, IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 3271				
American Fund	217.3	231.5	-2.7	1.43
Do Accum	245.5	261.6	-3.0	1.43
Do Withdrawal	149.2	159.0	-1.9	1.43
Australian Fund	138.7	147.7	-0.5	0.85
Do Accum	141.1	150.2	-0.4	0.85
British Fund	610.7	650.4	+9.4	4.34
Do Accum	837.2	891.7	+12.9	4.34
European Fund	333.7	355.4	..	0.45
Do Accum	352.0	375.0	..	0.45
Japan Fund	65.6	69.8	-0.7	0.21
Do Accum	65.9	70.2	-0.7	0.21
Saints PPP	183.4	192.6	..	..
SUN ALLIANCE Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	401.1	424.4	+0.5	2.70
N Am Trust Acc	59.8	63.6	-0.7	1.50
Far East Trust Acc	91.9	97.7	-1.3	0.00
Worldwide Bond	51.80	55.11	-0.30	6.63
European	56.0	59.5	-0.2	1.92
Equity Inc Tst	50.6	53.9	+0.1	5.51
SUN LIFE OF CANADA 2,3,4, Cockspur Street, London SW1Y 5BH Dealing no:01-930 2602				
UK Income	25.5	27.1	+0.1	4.57
Do Growth	24.7	26.2	..	2.92
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD Keens House, Andover, Hants, SP10 1PG 0264 56789 Dealings: 0264 63432/3/4				
American Inc	114.3	121.5	-1.5	1.66
Do Accum	120.1	127.7	-1.6	1.66
Extra Income Inc	119.1	126.7	+0.4	5.27
Do Accum	142.6	151.9	+0.5	5.27
General Unit Inc	162.3	172.6	+0.1	2.91
Do Accum	267.2	284.2	+0.1	2.91
Gilt & Fixed Inc	46.9	48.9	+0.3	9.15
Do Accum	63.2	65.8	+0.4	9.15
Income	220.6	234.8●	+0.6	4.51
Accum	349.8	372.1●	+0.8	4.51
Pacific Inc	184.9	196.8	-1.9	0.56
Do Accum	190.9	203.0	-2.0	0.56
Intl Inc	337.5	359.1	-3.5	1.06
Do Accum	419.9	446.7	-4.5	1.06
Selected Opps Inc	68.0	72.3	..	1.80
Do Accum	75.2	79.9	..	1.80
Natural Res	58.3	59.8	-0.5	1.80
Do Accum	58.3	62.0	-0.5	1.80
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks (0296) 394000				
Amer Eagle	73.0	77.5●	-0.5	0.09
Australian	23.2	24.8	-0.2	0.10
Commodity	82.8	88.5	+0.2	1.02
Energy	29.0	31.0	..	1.81
Equity	129.3	137.5●	+0.3	3.57
European Spec Sits	120.4	127.7	+0.5	0.64
Extra Income	118.7	126.0	+0.5	5.65
Financial	273.6	290.8	+0.3	1.91
Gilt Income	98.7	101.2●	+0.5	8.57
Gold Income	72.8	77.2	+0.1	0.64
Do Accum	134.5	142.6	..	0.64
Income	89.2	94.8●	+0.4	4.21
Japan	102.5	108.9	-0.9	0.10
Malay & Singapore	24.9	26.5	..	0.92
Pacific Inc	112.7	119.5	-0.7	0.89
Do Reinvest	138.3	146.9	-0.9	0.89
Pref Share Fd	17.4	18.5c	..	9.76
UK Capital	73.2	77.9	..	1.31
Special Sits	89.2	94.9	-0.4	0.65
Technology	44.9	47.5	-0.5	0.10
World Income	63.3	67.1	-0.2	4.22
Worldwide Capital	149.7	157.9c	-0.6	1.18
Equity Ex (3)	91.0	96.5●	+1.2	1.92
Do Accum (3)	172.1	182.8●	+2.2	1.92
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD Park House 16 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7DJ 01-374 4595				
Far East & Gen	68.5	72.6	-0.6	0.62
Japan & Gen	52.9	56.3	-0.7	0.30
Nth Amer & Gen	48.7	51.8	-0.2	0.97
Oriental Inc				
Do Accum	25.4	27.0	-0.1	2.78
Pacific Tech	54.0	57.4	-0.6	0.80
Tiger	75.2	80.0	-0.5	0.64
UK & Gen	42.6	45.3	+0.1	2.22
3i UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01 626-3359				
Smaller Co's	61.9	65.8	-0.4	0.80
TOUCHE REMNANT Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT 01-248 1250				
American Growth	39.6	42.1	-0.4	0.54
General Growth	52.7	56.1c	..	1.80
Global Tech	47.2	50.2	-0.5	0.10
Income Growth	63.2	67.2●	+0.1	4.78
Income Monthly	47.9	51.0●	+0.1	6.41
Japan Growth	49.7	52.9●	-0.6	0.12
Man Equity Inc	25.0	26.5	..	2.36
Do Accum	26.6	28.3	..	2.36
O'seas Growth	51.9	55.2●	-0.5	0.79
Smaller Cos	65.9	70.1	+0.1	2.48
Special Opps	78.4	83.4	+0.2	2.13
TYNDALL MANAGERS LTD 401, St. John Street London EC1V 4QE 01-837 6494				
Australian	69.4	74.2●	-0.2	0.00
Capital	328.5	349.0	+1.5	2.85
Europe Growth Acc	118.9	126.6	-0.8	0.87
Exempt	300.9	319.7●	+1.3	5.26
Far Eastern	194.0	207.5	-2.4	0.25
Fin & Prop	59.3	62.8	+0.3	2.76
Gilt Capital	116.3	119.5	+0.1	0.00
Gilt Income	96.8	99.4●	-0.1	0.00
High Yield	96.3	102.4●	-0.1	5.77
Income	245.6	260.4●	+1.0	4.74
Intl Earnings	165.3	175.1	+0.6	2.67
Intl Growth Inc	83.8	89.2	-0.9	0.74
Japan Growth Acc	775.2	821.2●	+2.9	4.74
Nat Resources Inc	198.5	211.4	-2.2	1.96
Nth Amer Gth Inc	112.8	120.6	-1.5	0.75
Preference Inc	112.2	118.3	+0.1	10.84
Small Co's Div Inc	83.0	86.7	+0.3	5.53
Small Co's Inc	203.6	222.0	+0.8	1.58
Special Sits Inc	108.5	114.9●	..	1.77
UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH 0722 336242				
UK Equity	125.1	132.5	+0.2	2.37
Pacific Basin	170.1	180.3	-1.3	0.39
N Amer	121.7	129.0	-1.9	1.18
VANGUARD TRUST 65 Holborn Viaduct EC1A 2EU General Enquiries 01-236 3053 Dealing Line 01-236 2468				
Growth Inc	192.0	204.3	+1.2	2.33
Do Accum	282.7	300.8	+1.4	2.33
High Yield	214.2	227.9	+1.4	4.94
Do Accum	218.9	232.9	+1.4	4.94
Special Sits	42.4	45.2	+0.4	2.48
Do Accum	42.7	45.5	+0.4	2.48
Trustee	141.0	150.0●	+1.3	4.08
Do Accum	218.2	232.2	+1.8	4.08
Amer & Gen	61.6	65.6	-0.8	1.70
Do Accum	62.1	66.1	-0.7	1.70
Master Portfolio	263.26	64.90	-0.09	2.57
Do Accum	263.83	65.48	-0.09	2.57
Abng Rdln Asts (5)	127.3	135.5	..	2.19
Do Accum	128.2	136.4	..	2.19
Far East & Gen Inc	57.8	61.5	-0.5	0.00
Do Accum	57.8	61.5	-0.5	0.00
Euro Fund Inc	49.6	52.8	..	0.69
Do Acc	49.6	52.8	..	0.69
WARDLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2 01-929 1532				
American Trust	65.8	70.4	-0.2	1.70
Far East & Gen	121.6	128.7	-0.8	0.50
Intl Growth	77.0	81.5	-0.7	0.60
Income Trust	87.8	93.7	+0.3	5.20
Japan Growth	138.8	148.1	-1.4	0.10
Small Companies	113.4	121.3	..	2.10
Technology	39.4	42.2	-0.1	0.10
Australia	51.0	54.6	+0.4	1.60
UK Trust	139.3	147.5●	..	2.50
European Growth	60.9	64.5	-0.5	0.20
Hong Kong	32.6	34.5	-0.1	1.60
WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT 13, Charlotte Sq., Edinburgh 031-225 1551				
Australian Gold	30.0	31.9	-0.4	0.15
Pacific Basin	23.7	25.2●	-0.5	1.70
Canadian Bal Gth	54.1	57.5	-0.5	0.00
Gems Mee Fnd	e103.7	108.0●	-0.4	6.70
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2 Honey La EC2 8BT 01-606 9085/6				
Sht Dtd Gilt Fund	69.0	70.1	..	0.00
US Govt Bond Fd	451.8	52.1	..	..
Challenger	49.7	50.0	..	2.00
WINDSOR TRUST MANAGERS LTD Windsor House, 83, Kingsway, London WC2B 6SD 01-405 8331				
Conv & Equity	49.5	52.7●	+0.2	7.45
Income	57.5	61.2	+0.3	4.79
Growth	57.0	60.7	..	2.04

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Tuesday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of February, May, August, November. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account. (42) Last day of month. (43) 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month. (44) Quarterly. (45) 6th of month. (46) 2nd Tuesday of month.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
15	8½	A & M Gp	13½	14½	..	0.6e	4.3	20.0
65	45	ATA Selection	48	52	●	2.1	4.2	13.4
139	98	Abbeycrest	136	139	●	3.6	2.6	19.7
64	33	Aberdeen Stk Hse	45	50		1.7e	3.5	13.4
143	45	Access Satellite				4.6		
108	34	Acorn Comp	51	53				3.7
19	8½	Acsis Jewellery	17	19				9.6
22	14	Adam Leisure	14	16				1.9
127	90	Airsprung	96	101	●-2	8.1	8.2	
278	121	Anglia Secure Hms	274	277		2.3	0.8	33.1
121	58	Antler	112	116	+1			
165	132	Applestree	147	152		2.9	1.9	14.4
388	270	App Holographics	358	360	-1			
320	185	Do Wrnts	305	315				
153	136	Ashtead	147	152	+2	4.3	2.9	15.5
355	42	Aspen Comms	315	320	+2	4.4	1.4	32.1
169	102	Aspinall	107	109		8.6	8.0	13.3
620	440	Asprey	560	590	●	14.3	2.5	16.5
40	27	Assoc Energy	30	32				7.7
233	155	ASD	165	175		11.4	6.7	7.3
151	122	Atlas Equipment	148	153		7.0	4.6	13.7
95	61	Autologic	87	92		8.6	9.6	15.8
70	64	BBB Design	68	69		1.4	2.1	16.3
46	43	BCE	45	46½				
228	185	BPP	199	209	-3	7.1	3.5	18.7
85	70	BTS Grp	70	73		5.7	7.9	8.5
120	58	Bedford (William)	102	107	-3	6.4	6.1	9.7
28	16½	Bennett & Fountain	24	25	●	8.7	2.9	20.6
53	37	Bensons Crisps	45	50	+2			13.5
17¾	8	Berkeley & Hay	17	17¾				30.2
90	28	Berkeley Exp	61	64				8.8
123	122	Berry,Birch & Noble	120	123		6.0	4.9	14.2
143	141	Bilston&Battersea	138	143				
24	10	Bio Isolates	15	17	+1			
30	18	Bornechanics	23	25	-1			
44	38½	Bool	38	39		1.8	4.7	9.8
133	88	Blanchards	112	116	●-1	6.4	5.6	12.4
156	138	Blenheim Exhb	150	155		3.0	2.0	23.5
285	185	Bluebird Toys	288	293		5.0	1.7	22.5
49	37	Border TV	47½	50½	+7			
160	130	Borland	131	134	●-1			
27	18	Brewmaker	19	21		1.1	5.5	10.6
195	70	Brest	99	104	●-1	6.0	3.9	8.3
250	150	Br Bloodstock	170	180	+5	12.6	7.2	6.3
59	48	Br Island	48	52		4.0	8.0	9.1
59	42	Broad St	44	46		1.6	3.6	
358	180	Brookmount	330	345	●-2	5.0	1.5	18.4
181	115	Brown (Charles)	185	190		4.3	2.2	21.6
345	195	Bryant (Derek)	220	230		11.6b	5.2	8.0
3½	2	Bula Resources	3½	3½				
103	73	CCA Galleries	78	81	-1	3.4	4.3	11.7
180	130	CML Micro	155	165		2.6	1.6	16.4
42	25	CPU Comp	35	37				21.9
175	130	CVD	145	165	●			
210	85	Caledonian Oil	135	145				
69	62	Camelech	63	66		2.9	4.6	13.3
205	88	Cannon Street Inv	199	202		3.6	1.8	29.9
71	63	Cap & Regional	64	67				
141	74	Chancery Secs	136	139	●+1	3.1	2.2	16.6
205	85	Checkpoint Europe	155	165				14.0
161	125	Chelsea Man	143	148	●-2	2.3	1.8	24.0
13	6½	Chem Methods	10	11½		3.0	27.3	
270	158	Cheshire W	267	272	●+2	5.2	1.9	28.8
23	8½	Cifer	22½	23½	+½			76.7
108	88	Citygrove	98	103		3.6	3.6	15.4
46	25	Cityvision	44	47	+1			
825	475	Cityvision 7%	800	850				
115	67	Crpprint	95	100	+3	1.8	1.8	11.3
173	140	Clarke Hooper	137	142		3.3	2.4	18.9
33	14	Clogau Gold	29	30½				
57	25	Cluff Oil Hldgs	53	56	-1			
120	87	Coated Electrodes	112	117		5.6	4.9	13.4
88	53	Cobra Emerald	50	55	-5			
165	111	Colne	163	168		3.9	2.3	18.2
133	21	Colorgen Inc	24	27				
175	123	Comp Financial	158	163		3.3	2.0	29.6
53	30	Compsoft	35	40	-2			6.4
170	84	Consultants	167	172	+5	1.8	1.1	33.1
58	36	Conv Tem Invs	40	44	+2	7.1e	16.9	28.2
172½	105	Cont Microwave	160	170		3.2	1.9	18.4
115	93	Cornells	97	102		3.7	3.7	13.9
133	93	CPM	93	98		2.5	2.6	14.2
430	306	Cramsoom	410	425		8.8	2.1	19.2
75	46	Cranbrook	52	57		0.7e	1.3	14.6
114	97	Cranswick	90	95	●	6.4	6.9	8.1
113	75	Craton Lodge	85	90	●	3.1	3.5	13.8
158	153	Creighton Labs	168	178	●+5	5.3	3.1	21.1
82	68	Crown TV Prods	69	72				
157	78	Crystate	138	143	●+3	1.5	1.1	15.7
73	43	DBE Tech	42	47	●+2			41.7
148	83	DJ Sec Alarms	100½	105½	+10	2.1	2.0	8.4
85	55	Dalbro	55	60	●	1.4	2.4	10.2
216	180	Davies (DY)	193	198		4.9	2.5	21.9
84	55	Dean & Bowes	69	72	+1	2.9	4.1	17.3
27	21	De Brett (Andre)	24	25		0.4	1.8	12.3
175	131	Debtor	172	177		5.7	3.3	
57	40	Delmar	47	48		2.9	6.0	9.5
138	108	Dencora	112	117		2.8	2.5	15.9
115	70	Denmans Elec	80	85		5.4	6.4	6.4
115	68	Devey Warren	86	90		10.7e	15.7	4.8
285	128	Dolmy	273	280	+1	4.3	1.5	15.4
483	345	Dock	465	480	+3	6.3	1.3	22.6
24½	18	Dunton	23½	25	+½	0.6	2.4	28.5
58	39	Easby	52	55	+3	2.5	4.6	16.7
148	104	Ealing Elect Optics	120	127		3.1	2.5	21.7
37	11	Ecobric	19	20½		0.4e	2.0	14.9
325	238	Eden Fund	260	265	-2	9.3	3.5	15.7
41	22	Edra Oil & Gas	29	31	+1			73.0
431	345	Eldridge Pope 'A'	410	415		10.0	2.4	18.7
183	108	Electron House	120	125	●-3	4.9	4.0	16.1
110	72	Electronic Data P	102	106	-6	2.5	2.4	12.1
45	18	Ellis	38	40				4.9
18	6	Entertainment Prod	10	12				
265	122	Equip	245	255		7.1	2.8	20.9
115	103	Eve Construction	108	113		6.4	5.8	12.5
400	138	Fil	370	380				
380	151	FKB Gp	237	242		3.6	1.5	25.7
167	138	F & H Group	137	142				
82	51	Feedback	82	87	-½	1.8	2.8	23.4
73½	17	Fergebrook	16	17½				14
133	92	Fields (Alex)	130	133	+4			
73	51	Fletcher Dennys	50	55		3.6	6.8	12.2
65	31	Flextech	44	48				8.1
310	100	Flogas	272	276	-2	25.6	9.4	
60	30	Floyd Oil	39	42	+1			18.8
88	80	Ford & Weston	80½	83½		4.3	5.2	9.8
240	130	French Conn	173	183	●	7.5	4.2	11.8
133	64	Freshbake	114	117	+6	2.9	2.5	19.4
362	210	Fuller Smith 'A'	335	345	●-2	6.3	1.9	17.7
180	94	Gabicci	125	130	+2	4.3	3.4	15.0
150	78	Gee (Cecil)	80	84		3.7	4.5	
47	35	Gee/Rosen	42	45	●	2.4	5.5	13.3
97	72	Gibbon Lyons	90	95	●	5.2	5.8	18.0
249	100	Gibbs Mew	228	238	+3	5.7	2.4	25.8
100	11	Gilbert House	80	85				
60	32	Global Gp	47	50		3.9	8.0	7.7
186	87	Godwin Warren	104	108	+1	3.1	2.9	15.1
156	88	Goodhead Print	147	152		4.3	2.9	16.8
142	95	Gould (Laurence)	135	145	+2	5.3	3.8	11.3
91	58	Granyte Surface	62	67	●-1	3.0	4.8	11.3
167	155	Great Southern	159	162	+3	7.4	4.6	13.8
175	118	Green (Ernest)	160	170		4.9	3.0	15.8
41	19	Greenwich Cable	33	35				
135	81½	Grosvenor Sq	130	135	+10	8.6	6.5	10.6
190	160	Guernsey Atlantic	185	195		3.5	1.8	55.9
108	60	Halls Homes & Gdns	103	106		4.0	3.8	11.6
98	58	Hampden Homecare	78	83		2.1	2.6	13.0
29	25	Harmony Leisure	25	27	-1	0.1	0.4	21.0
320	133	Harvey & Thorp	300	310		8.6	2.8	20.1
265	198	Havelock Europa	250	255	●	7.0	2.8	23.7
48	25	Health Care	46	48	-1	1.1	2.3	18.7
452	363½	Heavitree	457	467	+2	12.3	2.7	18.1
410	293½	Do 'A' LV	405	415	+5	12.3	3.0	16.1
150	143½	Henderson Prime	145	155				
415	150	High-Point	150	160		2.5	1.6	19.2
205	45	Highland Part	65	68				
91	70	Hile Ergonom	68	73	●	2.0	2.8	11.4
48	7	Hobson	43¾	45¾	●+½			
158	105	Hodgson	155	160	+3	3.0	1.9	28.3
198	105	Holden Hydroman	185	195	●+7	4.6	2.4	24.4
158	110	Holmes Protection	127	130	●+5			
121	100	Hornby	100	105	+2	4.6	4.5	11.7
35	22	Hughes Food	31½	32½		0.7	2.2	23.0
14	6½	Humbrod Elec	11¼	12¼	+1			12.0
189	115	Hunter Saphir	170	174	●	3.9	2.3	22.4
255	160	Huntleigh Tech	155	165	●	2.1	1.3	19.3
230	152	INSTEM	150	160		3.6	2.3	13.3
31	11	Imtec	19	22	+1			2.6
115	44	Ind Scot Energy	82½	87½				10.2
103	66	InfraRed	68	73				
353	190	Intereurope Tech	250	265		8.3	3.2	12.9
210	204	Interlink Express	207	210				
32	19½	Israel (Jack L)	19	20	-½	0.7b	3.6	15.1
485	233	JS Pathology	435	445	●	4.0	0.9	40.3
193	118	Jaques Vert	187	192	-1	7.9	4.2	16.8
26	2	Jebsens	7	9				0.3
148	103	Johnson & Jorg	115	118	●+1	6.0	5.1	13.3
175	156	Johnson Fry	157½	162½	+2	7.5	4.7	14.0
120	73	Johnstones Paints	113	118	+1	6.1b	5.3	12.9
73	48	Just Rubber	66	69	●	2.6	3.8	11.3
330	250	KLP	245	255		4.7	1.9	14.1
92	67	Kent (John)	77	80		2.1	2.7	13.3
345	220	Kenyon Secs	335	345	+2	14.9	4.4	16.4
83	53	Kewill Systems	60	65		1.7	2.7	9.3
113	50	Klark-Teknik	60	65	+1	1.6	2.5	18.0
113	67	LPA Ind	95	100		3.9	4.0	9.7
83	37	Ladlow	80	85	+3	4.1	4.9	10.3
125	70	Ladlow Thomson	103	108	●	5.6	5.3	12.8
123	91	Lawmar	105	108	●-2	3.6	3.4	13.2
305	7¼	Local Lon Gp	300	310	●	5.0	1.6	34.3
123	73	Lodge Care	117	122		2.9	2.4	25.0
140	95	Lon & Clydeside	118	123		8.0	6.6	10.9
188	133	Lorin Elec	163	168	●+1	3.6b	2.2	14.5
62	17	Lysander Pet	28	32				
113	77	M6 Cash & Carry	102	107	+2	5.1	4.9	
147	145	MIL Research	143	146	-1	4.3	3.0	14.1
327	160	MMT Comp	305	315	●	7.1	2.3	13.8
160	101	McLaughlin & Har	115	125		10.0	8.3	6.9
125	45	Magnetic Materials	68	72	-1	2.7	3.9	9.8
130	54	Masterat	120	125	●	1.4	1.1	38.6
95	71	Marina Dev	78	83				
176	92	Martin (Ronald)	152	157	●	4.7	3.0	20.9
35	9	Maxipoint	20	23	+2			
108	106	Mayborn	105	110		4.6	4.3	11.2
124	101	Mayfair City	115½	120½		4.3	3.6	25.0
306	195	Meadow Farm	292	297		5.4	1.8	25.8
220	14	Media Tech	105	110	●+8	4.0	3.7	8.3
98	68	Mellerware	67	70	●+1	4.4	6.4	16.2
24	9	Memory Comp	18	28		232		31
75	8	Memcom Intl Hldgs	15	20				1.2
181	135	Menvier-Swain	168	172		3.6	2.1	18.0
427	311	Merrydown Wine	390	397	●	7.8	2.0	24.0
138	95	Metal Bulletin	115	125		5.3	5.3	18.9
102	71	Merzec	78	80		3.7	4.7	11.4
95	59	Michael (John)	67	72	●	1.9	2.7	17.0
220	95	Microlease	137	142	-1	5.7	4.1	11.5
47	22	Microvac	37	38		1.8	4.8	18.4
450	231	Midsummer Leisure	445	455	●+1	5.7	1.3	
185	162	Miller & Santhouse	165	170		3.2	1.9	31.4
193	168	Millward Brown	155	160	●	3.2	2.0	34.4
220	130	Miss World	170	180		7.9	4.5	8.2
47	13	Mnemos						
167	85	Moorgate Gp	97	102	+4	2.0	2.0	18.5
130	82	Monks & Crane	112	118	●-2	3.9	3.4	14.3
158	118	Monotype	125	128		5.3	5.0	
57	25	Morley (Rb)	49	52	-2	2.5e	4.9	14.2
23½	15	Morris (William)	15	16	+½			6.2
115	62	Moss Advertising	85	90	-3	2.9	3.3	21.6
192	125	Musterlin	183	190	●	4.3	2.3	18.2
367	220	NMW Comp	220	225	●+2	8.6	3.9	12.2
21	6	New Ct Nat Res	6¼	7	+¼			1.8
5½	0½	Do Wrnts	2½	3½				
29	14	New England Props	26	23	-1			13.5
90	70	Do 10%	70	80	●	0	13.3	
75	65	Newage Trans	68	71		5.0	7.1	7.9
21	8	Nimslo	9	11				
150	91	Norank	122	125	+1	4.3	3.5	16.1
180	43	Norbain	65	70	+7	1.0	1.5	7.4
181	79	Norscot Hotels	175	180		3.6	2.0	19.5
48	14	Nth Sea & Gen	21	24				4.6
96	68	Northumbria Fine	88	91	-1	2.4	2.7	23.1
75	26	Oakfield Assoc	27½	32½	+2	2.9e	9.7	4.5
37	18	Oppometrics	20	25				
310	180	Osborne & Little	295	300	●	4.7	1.6	28.9
41¾	23	Owners Abroad	41	42	+¼	2.1	5.1	11.8
143	85	PCT	110	120		4.6	4.0	13.1
255	160	Pacer Systems	160	170	-8			
79	44	Pacific Sales	43	47	-1	4.3	9.6	10.8
158	116	Pantherella	118	123	●	5.3	4.4	11.1
222	88	Parkfield Gp	197	200	+2			
62	10	Paul M Les	48	52	-2			22.0
53	17	Paxton	22	23				4.8
183	80	Pepe Group	177	182		4.7	2.8	17.3
168	63	Peticorn	150	155		3.6	2.4	18.9
43	29	Perkins (J)	33	38		1.7	4.7	8.7
131	101	Personal Computer	128½	133½	+5	4.3	3.3	13.4
200	128	Peters (Michael)	137	142		3.7	2.8	20.8
32	11	Petrogen	20	23	+1			
34	25½	Piccadilly Radio	33	35	+1	2.9	8.5	10.6
116	24	Pict Pet	28	31	+2			4.1
78	31	Pineapple	70	74	-1			
72	25	Plastmec	70	73		1.0	1.4	8.9
201	115	Platon	173	178	-2	4.5	2.6	12.8
113	98	Plum Hldgs	112	114		4.3	3.8	16.7
245	65	Polytech Marine	103	108	-3			
156	75	Powerline	95	100	●+2	2.9	3.0	13.2
143	68	Prestaprint	77	82		3.6	4.5	9.2
130	128	Quarto	128	132				
308	158	Quested	218	223	+1	6.3	2.9	14.9
103	90	Radamec	100	105				
43	18	Radio City 'A'	41	44				8.4
59	33	Radio Clyde	55	60	●+2	5.0	8.6	10.2
123	65	Radius	105	110	-2	1.4	1.3	16.2
40	12	Ramco Oil	15	18	-1			4.1
115	86	Ramus	112	117		7.7	6.7	8.9
63	22	Randsworth	61	65	+1	0.4	0.5	92.5
78	40	Real Time Control	58	63		2.9	4.8	17.8
42	14	Reliant Motor	23	25				20.5
190	70	Rivlin	122	125	-1	0.1	0.1	
92	7	Rockwood	61	66	-1			
107	63	Rolfe & Nolan	104	108	●+1	2.9	2.7	45.7
101	93	Rotunda	97	102		4.3	4.3	12.1
123	101	Ryman	120	123	-1			
152	79	SAC	150	152	●	2.9	1.9	18.5
126	63	Sangers Photo	79	84	●+1	3.2	3.9	23.7
48	10	Sapphire Pet	21	24				3.1
135	104	Savage	125	129		4.3	3.4	18.2
178	95	Scantro	97	102	+1	5.7	5.7	8.2
195	120	Scot Heritable	143	147		5.4	3.7	12.7
138	71	Securiguard	135	140	+2	3.9	2.8	25.5
28	7	SelecTV	14	15				
355	225	Share Drug Strs	220	240	●	3.4	1.5	20.2
98	68½	Sheldon Jones	82	87		6.6	7.8	9.9
280	188	Sherwood Comp	250	280		4.6	1.8	30.7
188	145	Shield	165	175		2.8	1.7	28.3
101	50	Sigmex	55	60		0.8	1.4	20.4
173	110	Sims Catering	115	123	●	5.7	4.8	14.8
210	112	Sinclair (William)	203	213	s-2	7.3	3.5	17.5
238	155	Smallbone	190	195	+2	5.1	2.6	18.0
182	95	Snowdon Bridge	175	182		1.4b	0.8	21.0
43	33	Soundtracks	38	41	-1	1.7	4.3	11.9
176	113	Sth Bus	173	177		4.3	2.5	10.1
31	11	SW Resources	11	13				4.8
108	85	Space Planning	100	105		2.6	2.5	18.6
245	230	Spandex	242	247	+8			
70	48	Spectra Auto	67	72	●+2	3.7	5.3	11.0
38	18	Spectrum	19	22				2.3
105	83	Spice	99	104	●	4.0	3.9	8.4
71	55	Splash	55	60		4.7	8.1	9.5
220	85	Stainless Metal	197	202	-3	6.0	3.0	20.6
108	71	Sterling Pub	83	86	-2	2.9b	3.4	18.9
38½	17½	Sunleigh Elect	28	30	●+2	0.2	0.7	68.2
93	50	Sutherland (ET)	57	62	-1	4.6	8.0	18.9
125	100	Swindon Pr Hosp	100	140				36.6
265	175	Synapse Comp	255	265		3.1	1.2	21.7
250	150	T & S Stores	243	248	+1	4.6	1.9	28.3
200	110	TDS Circuits	113	118		2.9e	2.5	5.0
134	111	TMD Advert	115	118	●+1	2.9	2.5	15.4
113	90	TSB Chan Islands	109	111				
120	104	Task Force	105	110		2.5	2.3	15.9
245	52	Tay Homes	210	215	-3	7.5	3.5	9.9
145	75	Tech For Bus	72	77		7.7	10.3	7.5
365	194	Tech Comp	280	290	-5	4.6	1.6	38.4
205	115	Telecomputing	165	175	-2	2.1	1.2	18.3
180	58	Tel Serv Int	70	74	●-3	3.1	4.3	23.2
145	34	Thermax	140	143	+1	7.1	5.0	15.4
272½	180	Therm Scientific	225	230	●+2	3.9	1.7	20.6
233	63	Thorpac	220	230	●	3.8	1.6	33.5
56	42	Tinsley (Eliza)	42	45	●	4.1	9.3	8.5
153	113	Tod (W&J)	143	148		4.7	3.2	10.5
50	28	Towngrade Sec	32	37				55.6
199	135	Trade Promotion	190	195		6.2	3.2	18.1
500	270	Trencherwood	475	485		7.6	1.6	22.9
173	60	Trilion	75	80		1.6	2.1	18.6
260	140	Tyne Tees 'A'	248	250		18.5	7.8	6.4
123	43	Utd Ceramic	105	120		5.4	4.8	19.0
580	420	Utd Friendly	555	585		26.0	4.6	
213	93	Utd Packaging	110	115	+2	4.8	4.1	8.5
538	330	Utd Tst Credit	475	485	●-5	20.0	4.2	
121	81	Usher (Frank)	113	118	●	6.4	5.5	13.0
100	35	Verysion	57	61	●-2	1.8	3.1	24.6
106	53	Wayne Kerr	68	69		2.3	3.4	7.5
110	75	Webber Electro	105	110	●	3.3	3.1	13.2
20½	14	Wolgac	20	21		0.4	2.0	14.0
98	68	West Yorkshire	93	98	●	5.7	5.9	13.0
170	164	Whitney Mackay	166	169		5.7	3.4	13.9
191	150	Wickes	184	189	●	3.6	1.9	22.8
12¼	4¼	Williams Syst	10	10½	+¼			46.6
27½	16½	William (Rex) Hldgs	18	19		1.3	7.0	14.9
463½	93	Wingate	330	340		2.7	0.8	51.5
90	34	Wold	35	38	+1	0.9	2.4	33.0
86	78	Woollons Better	75	80				
277	151	Worcester	272	282	●+2	7.9	2.9	29.0
220	143	Wld of Leather	140½	145½		3.8	2.5	15.4
98	63	Wyko	63	65		3.7	5.8	9.7
4	4	Xyltyr						
158	118	Yellowhammer	135	140	●-2	2.3	1.7	20.2
38	29	Yelverton	31	34				
97	30	York Mount	55	60	●-1	2.4	4.1	26.9
69	39	Yorks Tst Gp	55	58				
104½	75	Do 8%	100			800	8.0	
61	15	Zygal Dynamics	53	58	+1	0.7	1.3	7.7

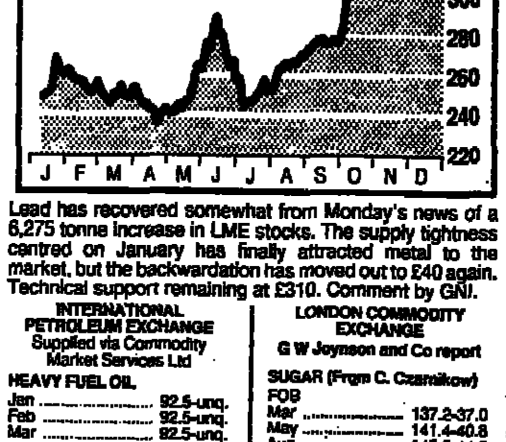
INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
129	106½	Ailsa	128	130		3.6	2.8	25.2
670	653	Alliance	665	670	-1	15.8	3.7	41.5
152	124	Amer Trust	145	147	-2½	4.4	3.0	40.7
404	333	Ang Amer Sec	398	402		8.9	2.2	63.0
119	94	Atlantic Assets	108	110	-2	0.9	0.8	83.2
139	110	Bankers	135	138	-1	4.4b	3.2	47.2
269	159	Berry	268	270	+1	1.6	0.6	
68	53½	Br Assets	64½	65	●-1½	2.9	4.5	29.8
39	33	Br Empire Sec	38	39	●+½	0.9	2.3	67.5
479	368	Br Inv	475	480	●	22.8	4.7	30.7
165½	90	Brunner	164	166	-½	3.5	3.3	42.3
855	645	Cont & Ind	785	810		31.4	3.9	34.8
253	178	Crescent Japan	241	243	-2	0.5	0.2	
157	135	Derby Inc	144	148		12.8	8.8	17.4
164	136	Do Cap	182	186	+1			
376	318	Drayton Cons	372	376	-1	15.4	4.1	34.7
207	151	Drayton Far East	201	204	+1	1.6	0.8	
772	421	Drayton Japan	683	688	-3	1.4e	0.2	
217	155	Dundee Lon	214	217		8.8	4.0	35.5
117	88	Edn Amer Asset	111	113	-1	0.9	0.8	87.5
182	136	Edinburgh	159	161	+½	5.3b	3.3	47.1
428	333	Electric Gen	420	425	●	6.8	1.6	70.9
175	148	English Int	171	175	-1	5.5	3.2	48.3
106	85	English Scot	104	106		2.0	1.9	63.6
80	60	Ensign	73	78	●+1	1.3	1.7	74.5
129	103	F & C Alliance	128	130	●	2.7	2.1	67.8
232	142	F & C Pacific	228	230	●-1	2.1	0.9	88.4
13¾	8½	First Charlotte	12½	13¾		0.1	0.8	
348	287	First Scot Amer	339	340	+½	15.0	4.4	32.8
581	480	Fleming American	577	580	-1	8.2	1.4	84.9
200	145	Fleming Claver	197	200	-1	7.4	3.7	38.3
345	303	Fleming Enterprise	317	320	-4	12.9	4.0	35.8
153½	84½	Fleming Far East	151	152	-1	1.4	0.9	
144	109	Fleming Fledgeling	142	144	-1	3.6	2.5	55.2
783	152½	Fleming Japan	152	153	-1½	2.4	1.6	71.3
178	123	Fleming Mercantile	172	174		5.5	3.2	44.7
176	122	Fleming Overseas	173	175		3.9	2.2	86.1
182	140	Fleming Tech	157	160		3.3	2.1	
156	107	Fleming Universal	154	157		2.1b	1.3	76.1
108¾	68	For Col	108½	110	+¼	2.4b	2.2	74.2
109	88	GBC Capital	100	102	●			
250	118	GT Japan	244	247	-½	2.0	0.8	
214	138	General Funds	212	216		2.9	1.4	
330	275	General Cons	328	330		17.9b	5.5	28.8
180	115	Glasgow Stock	175	185	+2	3.4	1.9	73.5
129	97	Globe	128	129	●-½	5.3	4.1	33.0
158	127	Govett Atlantic	147	149	●-2	4.3b	2.9	44.2
271½	138	Govett Oriental	280	282	●-3	3.3	1.3	
272	215	Govett Strategy	280	272	●	5.4	2.0	67.6
453	244	Greenfriar	428	435		2.4	0.6	
325	215	Gresham House	315	320		8.4	2.7	33.3
215	158	Hambros	213	215	●-1	6.4	3.0	47.2
108	104	India Fund	105	110				
880	543	Invest in Success	686	693		6.2	0.9	
285	244	Inv Cap	283	286	+1	17.1b	6.0	26.8
185	132	Ivory & Sime	155	160	●	7.1	4.5	21.6
68½	45	Japan Assets	66	67	-½	0.7	1.1	
110	91	Kleinwort Charter	109	111		3.7	3.4	41.4
160	119	Kleinwort O'seas	154	156	-1	3.6	2.3	
315	237	Kleinwort Smaller	305	315	-5	12.6	3.9	
282	188	Law Debenture	258	261		9.9	3.5	31.5
72	56	Lon Merchant Sec	57	59	●	3.7	6.4	11.7
71	55	Lon Trust	56	58		1.1e	1.9	82.6
133	102	Merchants	131	132	-1	6.4b	4.9	34.7
30½	21¾	Merrill Lynch	25½		-¼			
243	181	Monks	240	242	●-1	3.7b	1.5	90.9
167	128	Murray Income	163	165	●	8.6b	5.2	30.4
182	137	Murray Intl	180	182	-1	7.1b	3.9	35.5
388	215	Murray Small	376	381	●-2	4.0	1.1	
436	159	Murray Venture	222	229	s-1	7.1b	3.2	51.0
491	414	New Court	488	493	+1	22.5	4.6	28.9
68	40	New Darien Oil	67	69	+1	0.9s	1.3	74.7
243	158	928	240	245	+2	5.7	2.3	47.3
65	50½	Nthmg Inc 83	62½	63½	●	4.8b	7.6	17.8
271	185	New Tokyo	280	282		1.1e	0.4	
377	276	Nth Atlantic Sec	375	379	●+2	4.9	1.3	
81	20	Nth Sea Assets	27	30				8.6
429	279	Nthn Amer	426	428	●-2	7.7	1.8	
114	66	Pacific Assets	113	114		1.0	0.9	
50	26	Do Wrnts	49	51				
42	35	Personal Assets	40	41½		8.5	1.2	
448	336	Raeburn	443	448	-2	17.1	3.8	45.2
195	147	River & Merc	192	196	+1	8.6b	4.4	35.6
291	216	River Plate	288	293	+1	12.4	4.3	33.7
297	207	Robeco	292		-2			
384	181	Rolinco	256		-1			
393	287	Romney	380	385		7.1	1.9	58.7
15¾	11½	Rorento	15½		-½			
159	118	St Andrews	156	159		4.6b	2.9	53.7
415	297	Scottish	408	412	●	9.4	2.3	62.6
97	68	Scot American	86	88	●	2.8b	3.0	97.8
130	89	Scot Eastern	128	130	-1	2.9	2.2	67.5
100	78	Scot Merc 'A'	94	97		6.4	6.7	
594	402	Scot Mtge	577	580	-2	12.6	2.2	62.5
339	245	Scot Nat	325	330		7.8	2.3	55.0
759	570	Second Alliance	755	760	-1	26.4	3.5	37.4
95½	69	Secs Tst of Scotland	94	95	-½	4.3b	4.6	34.7
88½	67	Smaller Cos	85	86½		2.0	2.3	60.1
117	81	TR Australia	113	115	●	3.3	2.9	34.0
63	48	TR City Of Lon Dfd	62	63		3.1b	5.0	29.3
173½	77½	TR Ind & Gen	112½	114		2.9b	2.6	48.1
149	100½	TR Natural Res	138	141	●	5.9	4.2	30.0
105	89	TR North America	100	102	●-2	2.6b	2.6	51.3
210	118	TR Pacific Basin	207	209		1.4	0.7	
72	48½	TR Property	71	73	●	1.9	2.6	48.0
121½	99	TR Tech	119	120	●-½	2.6	2.2	58.4
189	139	TR Trustees	187	190		6.1	3.2	42.0
169	135	Temple Bar	168	170		8.1b	4.8	29.5
320	237	Throgmorton	318	321	+2	11.9b	3.7	38.3
390	270	Throg Dual	280	290				
238	157½	Trans Oceanic	222	225	●	6.1	2.7	48.7
163	112	Tribune	160	163	+1	4.0	2.5	46.4
95	79	Triplevest Inc	84½	85½	●	17.1	20.1	7.7
330	217	US Debenture	323	326		9.3	2.9	65.3
51	35	Value Inc Tst	42	44	●+1	1.8b	4.2	
62	33	Viking Resources	42½	43½		2.9	6.7	21.2
74	53	Westpool	62	64	●	2.3	3.7	31.0
116	80½	Witan	115	116	●	2.6b	2.3	65.6

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
47	34½	American Express	39¾	-	●-¼			
92	42	Argyle	86	88	+1	1.4	1.6	41.1
38	21	Boustead	28	31				81.1
154	120	Britannia Arrow	144	145	+½	6.0	4.2	18.9
28½	15½	Daily Mail	27	28	+½	70.0	2.5	19.4
25	15¾	Do 'A'	23	24	-½	70.0	3.0	16.6
159	137	Electra	157	159	●	5.9	3.7	38.5
179	95	Eng Trust	177	180		4.3	2.4	19.6
278	187	Exco	268	270	+5	7.1	2.6	17.3
113	68	Exploration	110	115	●	3.3	2.9	14.8
773	375	Framlington	760	775		12.9	1.7	20.1
128	81	Frost Gp	123	128	●+4	7.1	5.6	13.5
229	183	GT Management	200	205		4.3	2.1	15.3
188	75	Goode (D & M)	203	208		2.5n	1.2	32.2
1014½	490	Henderson Admin	955	970	●-5	22.1	2.3	19.0
218	153	ICH	195	198	●+1	12.9	6.5	8.7
448	320	MAI	425	435	-1	25.0	5.9	9.9
305	190	M & G	265	269	+1	6.1	2.3	32.8
362	252	Mercantile House	297	300		20.0	6.7	5.7
139	86	Pacific Inv Tst	137	139	+½	0.5	0.4	
47½	19	Do Warrants	42½	44	-½			
206	152	Smith New Court	151	154	●-2	10.0	6.5	7.5

COMMODITIES



Lead has recovered somewhat from Monday's news of a 6,275 tonne increase in LME stocks. The supply tightness centred on January has finally attracted metal to the market, but the backwardation has moved out to £40 again. Technical support remaining at £310. Comment by GNI.

INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM EXCHANGE
Supplied via Commodity Market Services Ltd

HEAVY FUEL OIL
Jan 92.5-unq.
Feb 92.5-unq.
Mar 92.5-unq.
Vol: 85

GAS OIL
Jan 144.75-44.50
Feb 147.75-47.50
Mar 147.75-47.50
Apr 144.50-44.00
May 141.50-40.50
Jun 145.00-40.00

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
G W Joynson and Co report

SUGAR (From C. Czarnikow)
FOB
Mar 137.2-37.0
May 141.4-40.8
Aug 145.6-44.5
Oct 150.2-49.4
Dec 157.0-53.0
Mar 163.2-61.4
Vol: 1424

COCOA
Dec 1390-81
Mar 1420-18
May 1444-42
Jul 1467-65
Sep 1491-87
Dec 1520-15

Mar 1635-33
May 1665-60
Jul 1700-90
Sep 1720-10
Nov 1750-30
Jan 1780-40
Vol: 6266

SOYABEAN
Feb 126.5-25.5
Apr 125.5-24.5
Jun 121.0-20.0
Aug 120.0-19.5
Oct 121.8-20.7
Dec 123.5-22.0
Feb 125.5-23.5
Vol: 1

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices
Official Turnover figures
Price in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolf & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER GRADE A
Cash 907.50-908.50
Three Months . 932.50-933.00
Vol 2150
Tone Steady

STANDARD CATHODES
Cash 881.00-882.00
Three Months . 909.00-910.00
Vol 200
Tone Quiet

LEAD
Cash 355.00-356.00
Three Months . 315.00-316.00
Vol 1700
Tone Steady

ZINC HIGH GRADE
Cash 561.00-562.00
Three Months . 544.00-545.00
Vol 50
Tone ..... Barely Steady/Quiet

SILVER LARGE
Cash 358.00-358.50
Three Months . 368.00-368.50
Vol 2
Tone Quiet

SILVER SMALL
Cash 358.00-358.50
Three Months . 368.00-368.50
Vol Nil
Tone Idle

ALUMINIUM
Cash 777.00-779.00
Three Months . 793.00-794.00
Vol 1750
Tone Barely Steady

NICKEL
Cash 2370-2375
Three Months 2435-2440
Vol 510
Tone Steady

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on December 30

GB: Cattle, 92.59p per kg lw (-3.11)
GB: Sheep 224.90p per kg* (-10.78)
GB: Pigs, 77.15p per kg lw (-3.77)
* est. dead carcase weight

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. up 411.0 %, ave. price, 91.93p(-3.36)
Sheep nos. up 223.4 %, ave. price, 224.08p(-12.57)
Pig nos. up 21.3 %, ave. price, 76.97p(-2.71)

Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 12.0 %, ave. price, 94.36p(-1.59)
Sheep nos. up 46.8 %, ave. price, 227.14p(-7.33)
Pig nos. down 67.8 %, ave. price, 80.49p(-1.10)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Feb	94.80	94.80
Apr	95.00	95.00
Jun	95.50	95.90

Vol: 0

Pig Meat vol: 10

Live Cattle Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Feb	96.50	96.50
Apr	101.50	101.50
Jun	101.50	101.50

Vol: 0

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Jan	110.60	110.75
Mar	113.15	113.40
May	115.40	114.85
Jul	117.60	unq.
Sep	101.05	100.20
Nov	102.90	102.95

Vol: Wheat 202
Barley 195

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Feb	108.50	107.50
Apr	146.20	148.00
May	165.60	166.80
Nov	88.50	88.50

Vol: 361

BIFFEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd Dry Cargo Report ($10 per point)

	High/Low	Close
Jan 87	714.0-703.0	712.50
Apr 87	745.0-737.0	743.00
Jul 87	647.0-642.0	647.00
Oct 87	751.0-750.0	750.00

Vol: 203 lots Open Intst: 2015
Spot market commentary:
Dry cargo index:
697.0 up 1.0 on 29/12/86

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Selective support

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began on December 22. Dealings end January 9. §Contango day January 12. Settlement day January 19.
§Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Where stocks have only one price quoted, these are middle prices taken daily at 5pm. Yield, change and P/E ratio are calculated on the middle price

Portfolio —Gold—

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	BBA	Industrials A-D	
2	No-Swift Inds	Industrials L-R	
3	Western Bros	Building,Roads	
4	Wholesale Fitting	Electricals	
5	Bristol	Newspapers,Pub	
6	Oceonics	Electricals	
7	Dwek	Industrials A-D	
8	Bass	Breweries	
9	Nottingham Brick	Building,Roads	
10	Tex Hldgs	Industrials S-Z	
11	McCarthy & S	Building,Roads	
12	New Cavendish	Property	
13	BPB Industries	Building,Roads	
14	Lloyds	Banks,Discount	
15	Parrish JT	Industrials L-R	
16	Portals	Industrials L-R	
17	Olives Paper	Paper,Printing	
18	AAH	Industrials A-D	
19	Bestobell	Industrials A-D	
20	Ansbacher (Henry)	Banks,Discount	
21	Highgate & Job	Industrials E-K	
22	Stand Chart	Banks,Discount	
23	VSEL	Industrials S-Z	
24	Lyles (S)	Textiles	
25	Tomkinsons	Textiles	
26	House Of Lerose	Drapery,Stores	
27	Munton	Textiles	
28	Hardanger	Property	
29	Lincroft Kilgour	Drapery,Stores	
30	Nat West	Banks,Discount	
31	Lon Park Hotels	Hotels,Caterers	
32	Menzies (John)	Drapery,Stores	
33	AGB Research	Industrials A-D	
34	Sylone	Industrials S-Z	
35	Comcap	Electricals	
36	P-E International	Electricals	
37	Cambridge Elec	Electricals	
38	Alexandra W'wear	Industrials A-D	
39	Home Counties	Newspapers,Pub	
40	Edbro	Industrials E-K	
41	Apex	Property	
42	Maclellan (P&W)	Industrials L-R	
43	Soter	Industrials S-Z	
44	Garfunkels	Foods	
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Please take account of any minus signs

Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £8,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

Portfolio —Gold—

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DAILY DIVIDEND
£4,000
Claims required for +43 points
Claimants should ring 0254-53272

BRITISH FUNDS

1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. gross yld%	Gross Red. yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
103	93½	Exch 13¼% 1987	100¼ ●	..	13.2	10.202
100¼	93½	Treas 10¼% 1987	99¼	..	10.3	11.119
99¼	92¼	Exch 2½% 1987	96¼	..	2.6	9.711
[illegible]						
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
118¼	99½	Treas 12¾% 1992	107½ ●	+¼	11.9	10.779
[illegible]						
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
111¼	90¼	Conv 10% 2002	96¼	..	10.3	10.449
[illegible]						
136	108¾	Exch 12% 2013-17	116¼	+¼	10.3	10.172
UNDATED						
48¼	37¼	Consols 4%	39½ ●	..	10.0	..
42	32½	War Ln 3½%	34¼	..	10.0	..
52¼	44½	Conv 3½%	47	+½	7.4	..
34¼	28¼	Treas 3%	29¼	+¼	10.0	..
29¼	22¼	Consols 2½%	24¼ ●	+¼	10.1	..
29¼	23¼	Treas 2½%	24¼	+¼	10.1	..
INDEX-LINKED						
125¼	103¼	Treas IL 2% 1988	124¼	-½	2.1	1.911
[illegible]						
104	86½	Treas IL2½% 2020	90½	-1¼	3.3	3.544

BANKS DISCOUNT HP

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
260	190	Allied Irish	247	252	..	9.0b	3.6	7.2
86½	78	Ansbacher (Henry)	86	87	+2	..	..	44.8
288	185	Aus New Z	257	261	-2	15.0b	5.8	..
[illegible]								
86	63	Rea Bros Gp	78	83	+2	..	..	..

BREWERIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
135	116	Rothschild (J) Hlg	131	132	●+1	7.6	5.8	13.7
420	260	Royal Bk Of Scot	292	294	●+2	15.4	5.3	7.4
825	561	Schroders	700	715	..	15.4	2.2	13.8
894	419	Stand Chart	787	798	+8	46.4	5.9	9.7
818	613	Union	665	675	+2	52.9	7.8	67.5
78¼	43¼	Wells Fargo	695	..	●-1¼	..	..	..
330	228	Wintrust	300	310	..	7.7	2.5	15.8
363	283	Allied-Lyons	317	318	●+2	14.5	4.6	14.5
840	625	Bass	737	742	●+3	24.3	3.3	12.1
[illegible]								
330	195	Young 'A'	282	292	-1	11.4	4.0	19.0

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
298	124	Abbey	198	203	-2	..	..	..
268	191	Aberdeen Constr	238	238	..	11.8	5.0	21.4
297	249	Aetec	269	271	● ..	16.4	6.1	14.6
[illegible]								
225	120	Wimpey (George)	182	183	●-1	5.6	3.1	17.8

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
51¼	40	AKZO N/V Bearer	48¼	..	-¼	400	8.3	..
242	160	Allied Colloids	237	240	..	4.0	1.7	25.1
[illegible]								
170	67	Yorkshire Chem	161	163	..	4.3	2.7	14.8

CINEMAS AND TV

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
326	175	Anglia TV 'A'	318	320	-2	13.9	4.4	18.7
416½	212	Central TV	398	403	..	..	..	..
52	27	Grampian	48	49	●+¼	2.9	6.0	7.0
240	176	HTV N/V	201	203	..	12.1	6.0	8.7
477	283	LWT Hldgs	438	440	● ..	25.9	5.9	11.9
363	188	Scot TV	340	342	..	15.9	4.7	11.2
276	1	TVS N/V	247	249	-1	14.3	5.8	12.2
50	31	TSW	47	47½	..	2.9	6.1	9.4
341	219	Thames TV	293	295	●+1	15.0	5.1	..
228	137	TV-AM	210	213	..	8.4	3.0	..
152	73½	Ulster TV	75	76	● ..	8.9	11.8	3.9
194	1	Yorkshire TV	192	195	+8	8.9	4.6	12.0

DRAPERY AND STORES

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
226	90	Alexon	207	210	●-3	5.7	2.7	13.6
[illegible]								
925	430	Woolworth	708	713	..	22.9b	3.2	16.3

ELECTRICALS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
396	185	AB Elect	330	334	..	14.3	4.3	17.3
240	133	Alphameric	208	213	..	2.7	1.3	21.4
150	38½	Amstrad	126	128	+1	0.5	0.4	13.3
100	43	Apricot Computers	45	50	-1	..	..	8.1
110	65	Arlen	100	104	●+2	0.7	0.7	10.6
300	235	Atlantic Comp	283	293	-4	4.1	1.4	8.2
79	50	Audio Fidelity	72	75	..	..	..	17.3
[illegible]								

FINANCE AND LAND

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
242	205	Abingworth	235	239	..	1.8	0.8	..
177	126	Action Hume	138	141	+1	..	..	3.9
[illegible]								
223	195	Templeton Glob	207	212	..	..	..	..

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FOODS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
174	126	ASDA-MFI	154	156	+½	4.5	2.9	16.9
[illegible]								
181	134	Watson & Philip	159	162	+1	9.7b	6.0	15.8

HOTELS AND CATERERS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
155	81	Friendly Hotels	138	140	● ..	1.0	0.7	67.8
481	328	Grand Met	457	459	-3	14.6	3.2	13.2
305	208	Kennedy Brookes	257	259	●-1	2.8b	1.1	13.3
391	312	Ladbroke	381	383	+2	16.8	4.4	18.2
565	447	Lon Park Hotels	463	469	+3	14.3	3.1	14.2
[illegible]								
269	139	Trusthouse Forte	176	178	+½	7.9	4.5	17.5

INDUSTRIALS A - D

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
289	179	AAH	268	270	+5	11.6	4.3	15.1
230	144	AGB Research	163	170	+5	9.6	5.7	25.0
[illegible]								
58	25½	Coppers Ind	42½	43½	+½	2.4	5.6	35.5

E - K

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
320	248	Eastern Prod	313	318	-4	14.3	4.5	8.0
[illegible]								
270	123	Klen-E-Ze	258	276	+8	8.6b	3.2	23.1

L - R

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
49	22	LDH	48	50	..	0.8	1.6	13.6
[illegible]								
130	80	Rossell (A)	85	89	● ..	2.4	2.8	27.3

S - Z

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
38	17	SI	24	25½	..	..	..	5.3
274	180	Sale Tilney	195	200	+3	10.0	5.1	11.5
[illegible]								
170	111	Tex Hldgs	122	127	●+4	6.4	5.1	11.0

INSURANCE

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
207	109	Abbey Life	206	208	+2	10.3	5.0	..
[illegible]								
494	394	Willis Faber	425	430	-2	12.5	2.9	20.3

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LEISURE

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
144	96	Barr & WA 'A'	132	142	-3	10.0	7.3	10.7
[illegible]								
203	126½	Zetters	201	204	+1	7.1	3.5	11.9

MINING

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
13	3½	Ang Amer Coal	4½	5¼	● ..	..	b	61.6
[illegible]								
200	26	Zandpan	54	..	-4	3.7	6.9	..

MOTORS AND AIRCRAFT

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
340	78	AC	335	345	..	..	..	..
288	138	AE	281	283	+1	10.7b	4.1	12.5
[illegible]								
103	52	Woodhead (Jonas)	98	99	+1	1.4	1.4	16.3

NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLISHERS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
172	145	Accord	163	168	+1	4.4	2.7	20.2
[illegible]								
403	280	Utd Newspapers	385	387	●+1	22.9	6.3	14.8

OIL

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
127	82	Amarol	119	122	..	..	..	..
[illegible]								
120	39	Gt Western Res	60	65	● ..	2.9	4.6	..

OVERSEAS TRADERS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
158	85	Dalgety	129	133	● ..	10.0	7.6	11.6
[illegible]								
271	153	Yule Catto	243	245	+2	12.1b	5.0	11.2

PAPER, PRINTING, ADVERT'G

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
245	201	Abbott Mead	220	225	+3	4.0	1.8	21.7
[illegible]								
365	320	WCRS	515	525	● ..	6.9	1.3	..

PROPERTY

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
69½	24½	Abaco	67	68	+½	0.3b	0.4	61.4
[illegible]								
178	142	West & Country	165	170	..	12.1	7.2	9.6

SHIPPING

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
320	187	Assoc Br Ports	318	322	..	8.6b	2.7	17.7
[illegible]								
390	360	Turnbull Scott	370	380	..	12.9	3.4	52.5

SHOES AND LEATHER

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
370	290	FII	340	350	●-5	9.6	2.8	10.0
[illegible]								
273	158	Stylo	223	228	..	6.4	2.8	27.9

TEXTILES

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
355	205	Allied Text	295	305	-5	10.7	3.6	20.6
[illegible]								
350	235	Yorkyde	260	270	..	10.0	3.8	8.1

TOBACCOS

1986 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'ge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
481	361	BAT	467	470	-1	18.4	3.9	12.2
180	108	Carroll	138	143	..	..	..	..
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Court of Appeal

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Queen's Bench Division

Adoption or custodianship

In re S (a Minor)
Before Lord Justice Fox, Lord Justice Glidewell and Sir Roualeyn Cumming-Bruce
[Judgment December 19]

Unless it was satisfied that an custodianship order would offer the child a greater benefit than an adoption order would do, the court on an application for adoption had to proceed without further consideration of custodianship.

The Court of Appeal, in a reserved judgment, allowed an appeal against an order made by Judge Verney whereby he refused an applicartion for adoption and made a custodianship order in favour of the applicants.

Mrs Diane Barnett for the applicants; Miss Florence Baron for the local authority; Mr James Holman as *amicus curiae*.

SIR ROUALEYN CUMMING-BRUCE said that the male applicant was the grandfather of the child whose adoption was sought. The female applicant was his second wife. The natural mother consented to the proposed adoption. The case came before the judge as an uncontested application to which the provisions of section 37 of the Children Act 1975 applied.

The appeal raised questions as to the proper construction and effect of section 37, and as to the proper procedure and practice to be followed in order to enable the trial judge to discharge the duties imposed upon him by the legislation which came into force on December 1, 1985.

The child was born illegitimate in 1982 of a mother then aged 19. She was the daughter of the male applicant. The identity of the child's father had never been disclosed to anyone in the mother's family, and he had not taken any interest in the child.

At the age of six months the child, with the mother's full agreement, was placed with the applicants, who had brought him up ever since and treated him as their own son.

The application for adoption was made in April 1986. The court appointed Mrs Bertram as reporting officer. She duly reported and confirmed that the natural mother gave her full consent for the making of an adoption order, or alternatively, a custodianship order.

As the child was not placed for adoption by an adoption agency, section 18 of the Act applied, and the local authority was given notice of the application, and thereby by virtue of rule 15(2)(d) of the Adoption Rules (SI 1984 No 265) became respondents to the application.

In accordance with rule 22(2) the local authority supplied a report covering the matters set out in Schedule 2 to the Rules. As provided in paragraph 6 of the Schedule the report of the local authority, signed by Mrs McKay who carried out the investigation, expressed an opinion on the relative merits of adoption and custodianship, to the effect that an adoption order would not enhance the quality of the relationship which the boy and the applicants already had, and could confuse existing relationships. She expressed her belief that a custodianship order would be an appropriate option for the child and applicants.

On September 3, the court gave directions of its own motion that the child attend the hearing, the social worker responsible for preparing the report attend, the reporting officer be allowed to attend and the hearing do take place on October 1.

Inspection of the relevant reports was governed by a Practice Direction made by the President of the Family Division on November 15, 1985 to the effect that any application for such inspection should normally be made to the judge at the actual hearing of the application for which the report had been prepared, and only in exceptional circumstances should the application for inspection be made before the hearing.

In the present case no application for inspection was made to the judge because the applicants' solicitor was supplied with a copy of Mrs McKay's report a week or so before the hearing, and did show the report to the applicants and discuss it with them very shortly before the hearing.

The first question on the appeal was the proper construction of section 37. By section 37(1) "Where . . . the court is satisfied – (a) that the child's welfare would not be better safeguarded and promoted by the making of an adoption order . . . than it would be by the making of a custodianship order in [the applicant's] favour, . . . the court shall direct the application to be treated as if it had been made by the applicant under section 33 [of the Act] . . ."

The first matter to which the court had to address its mind was whether it was satisfied that the child's welfare would not be better safeguarded or promoted by an adoption order as compared to custodianship.

If the balance of advantage was exactly even, the court could not be so satisfied, and there was no occassion for considering custodianship any further. The court had thus to take the view it was satisfied that a custodianship offered the child greater benefit than an adoption order would do before proceeding to direct that the application be treated as if it had been made under section 33.

Where the reporting authority came down in favour of custodianship instead of adoption, but the applicants sought adoption, it would usually be difficult for the judge to carry out the delicate task imposed upon him by section 37 unless the local authority or adoption agency either appeard to argue for its view or at least authorized a member or employee to attend and address the court.

The court before or at the hearing should also consider whether it could discharge its duty without appointment of a *guardian ad litem*.

The court had had two advantages denied to the judge, namely representation by the local authority and appearance by counsel instructed by the Official Solicitor as *amicus curiae*, and it was clear that the judge should not have had to carry out the section 37 exercise without any representation save the solicitor for the appicants.

It was clear from his judgment that the judge thought that the conclusions expressed in the McKay report satisfied him that it would be premature to make an adoption order before the child appreciated the truth about his parentage.

There was no indication that the judge addressed his mind to the proper construction of section 37, or considered the competing advantages for the child afforded by adoption as compared to custodianship, or carried out the balancing exercise prescribed by the section. In those circumstances his judgment was unsatisfactory.

The paramount factor affecting the child's future welfare was to make an order that would secure the child in his *de facto* relationships in such a way as to minimise the risk of the natural mother or anyone else seeking to disrupt them. That an adoption order could achieve with greater prospect of success than a custodianship order.

The legal relationship would then coincide with the actual relationships on which the child was by now totally reliant.

An adoption order would promote the welfare of the child in another way. When he was tactfully introduced to the true facts about his parentage, the adoption order would have already conferred upon him the legal status of child of the applicants. That was likely to reduce not increase the risk of emotional confusion or the onset of insecurity.

All the requirements for adoption were proved. Accordingly the appeal should be allowed and an adoption order made.

His Lordship would suggest that the President be asked to consider the problems that the history of the present application had illustrated, and be invited to consider whether any further action should be taken by Practice Direction or by reference to the rule-making authority in order to facilitate the investigation that the legislation now imposed upon the judge in a section 37 case.

Lord Justice Glidewell delivered a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Fox agreed.

Solicitors: Rimmers, Aylesbury; Mr D. U. Pullen, Aylesbury; Official Solicitor.

Radiation victim can sue the Crown

Pearce v Secretary of State for Defence and Another
Before Mr Justice Caulfield
[Judgment December 17]

A claim for damages against the Secretary of State for Defence and the Ministry of Defence for injuries caused to a member of the armed forces serving on Christmas Island from December 1957 to October 1958, during which period employees from the Atomic Energy Authority were testing nuclear weapons, and those employees were not serving soldiers, was not defeated by section 10 of the Crown Proceedings Act 1947.

The Crown's exemption, in section 10(2)(a) of the 1947 Act, from the broad liability in tort in respect of the duties attaching at common law to the ownership, occupation, possession or control of property pursuant to section 2(1)(c), had to be construed strictly.

Accordingly, since the thing suffered was allegedly a continuing omission by the servants of the Atomic Energy Authority and the consequence was exposure to radiation, the thing suffered by the claimant was not suffered by or in consequence of the nature or condition of land, premises, ship, aircraft, vehicle, equipment or supplies.

Mr Justice Caulfield so held in a reserved judgment in the Queen's Bench Division when he found in favour of the plaintiff, Melvyn Bruce Pearce, on a preliminary issue of law to determine whether the 1947 Act provided the defendants with a complete defence to the plaintiff's claim for damages for personal injuries.

The assumed facts were that the plaintiff, a serving soldier of the Royal Engineers on Christmas Island from December 28, 1957, to October 28, 1958, during which period Her Majesty's Government were testing nuclear weapons there, was owed a duty of care by the employees of the Atomic Energy Authority who were conducting those tests and who were not serving soldiers.

Those employees were negligent in failing to give the plaintiff proper advice for his own safety or if they gave proper advice they failed to ensure the advice was followed by the plaintiff. The plaintiff suffered serious injury because of their negligence. Certificates under section 10(1) and (3) were issued by the secretary of state.

Mr Andrew Collins, QC and Mr George Pulman for the defendants; Mr John Macdonald, QC and Mr Patrick Elias for the plaintiff.

MR JUSTICE CAULFIELD said that the tests in Christmas Island were performed by the Atomic Energy Authority pursuant to its powers under the Atomic Energy Authority Act 1954.

By section 1(2) of the Atomic Energy Authority (Weapons Group) Act 1973, the Secretary of State for Defence assumed the powers of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority to carry on any activities of the weapons group, and all liabilities as belonged to or were incumbent on the authority were transferred to the secretary of state.

By section 4(2) of the 1973 Act there was clearly transferred to the secretary of state any liability which might lie on the Atomic Energy Authority by virtue of its operations in Christmas Island.

Further, the powers of resistance to that liability were vested in the secretary of state as if the liability had always been on the secretary of state. Thus, although the Atomic Energy Authority could not have raised a defence under the Crown Proceedings Act 1947, the secretary of state could raise such defence if one existed.

Section 2 of the 1947 Act made the Crown liable for breach of statutory duty where it bore a statutory duty as though it were a private person, and it was plain from section 2(3) that where functions were conferred or imposed on an officer of the Crown as such directly whether by common law or statute it made no difference to the Crown's liability for the torts of the officer of the Crown.

Mr Collins submitted that as a matter of public law the conferring of functions on the Secretary of State for Defence was a conferment on the Crown, and, in the context of the proceedings, he was not to be considered as a servant of the Crown; he relied on *Town Investments Ltd v Department of the Environment* ([1978] AC 359) and *Linden v Department of Health and Social Security* ([1986] 1 WLR 164).

But, in his Lordship's view, those authorities were construing a wholly different species of legislation from the 1947 Act. Under section 38(2) the word "officer" in relation to the Crown included a minister of the Crown, and the combined effect of section 2(3) and the definition of officer in section 38(2) made the secretary of state liable in tort under section 2 of the 1947 Act, unless the plaintiff's claim was defeated by section 10.

By section 10(1), the exemption from liability was for the tortfeasor personally and the Crown, and the tortfeasor lost his exemption, but not the Crown, where the court was satisfied that the act or omission giving rise to the tort was not connected with the execution of the tortfeasor's duties as a member of the armed forces.

However, the defendants could not rely on section 10(1): although at all material times the plaintiff was a member of the armed forces, the tortfeasor was not. The tortious acts or omissions founding a tort against the plaintiff were not those of a member of the armed forces while on duty as such.

They were the acts or omissions of the servants of the Atomic Energy Authority. Accordingly, the secretary of state's certificate under section 10(1) was of no relevance.

The defendants relied principally on section 10(2) which prohibited proceedings in tort against the Crown for death or personal injury due to anything suffered by a member of the forces if that thing was suffered by him in consequence of certain named properties used for the purposes of those forces.

His Lordship said that it was necessary to determine on the assumed facts what was the thing suffered by the plaintiff; Mr Collins said that it was simply exposure to radiation, whereas Mr Macdonald said it was the negligent acts or omissions of the Atomic Energy Authority servants.

His Lordship proposed to adopt the reasoning of the majority of their Lordships in the Court of Appeal on their construction of "the thing suffered" in section 10(1) in *Bell v Secretary of State for Defence* ([1986] QB 322, 332, 334-335).

The words "anything suffered" and "that thing is suffered" were used in both section 10(1) and (2) and should receive the same construction in both subsections.

The thing suffered could be an event or happening or it could be an omission or indeed both; on the plaintiff's allegations, it was a continuing omission on the part of the Atomic Energy Authority scientists and the consequence was exposure to radiation.

Further, the words "the thing suffered" or "anything suffered" contemplated some event, happening or omission other than death or personal injury. Therefore, the thing suffered by the plaintiff was the continuing acts or omissions of the scientists, and further that thing was not suffered by or in consequence of the nature or condition of land, premises, ship, aircraft, vehicle, equipment or supplies.

The construction of the exemptions in section 10 generally should be strict and not liberal because section 2(1)(c) was plainly included to subject the Crown to tortious liability in respect of the duties attaching at common law to the ownership, occupation, possession or control of property.

Section 10(2)(a) was plainly intended to create an exemption from the broad liability imposed on the Crown in section 2(1)(c) but extended to equipment or supplies.

In his Lordship's view, section 10(2)(a) did not exclude acts or omissions such as those alleged against the Atomic Energy Authority's servants which were unconnected with the nature or condition of land, premises, ships, aircraft, vehicles, equipment, or supplies. On the facts, the claim was not defeated by section 10 of the 1947 Act.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor; Pannone Napier.

Tenant not liable to remedy original defects

Post Office v Aquarius Properties Ltd
Before Lord Justice Slade, Lord Justice Ralph Gibson and Sir Roger Ormrod
[Judgment December 18]

A repairing covenant in standard form contained in a lease of commercial premises did not impose liability on the tenant to remedy defects in the original construction of the building. As the building was throughout in the same physical condition, no want of repair had been proved by the landlord for which the tenant could be liable under the covenant.

The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments dismissing an appeal by the landlord, Aquarius Properties Ltd, and affirming for different reasons the decision of Mr Justice Hoffmann in July 1985 refusing to declare that the tenant, the Post Office, was liable to carry out repair work to the basement of Nos 74/76 St Johns Street, London EC1.

Mr Malcolm Spence, QC and Mr A. D. Dinkin for the landlord; Mr Paul Morgan for the tenant.

LORD JUSTICE RALPH GIBSON said that the appeal raised questions of principle on the proper construction in law of repairing covenants in common form. There was shown to be a defect in the structure of the basement of an office building which had been present from the time of its construction.

The parties agreed that there had been a failure of the kicker joint between the floor and the walls caused by poor workmanship which had resulted in weak areas of concrete of a relatively porous texture. When the water table rose the defect permitted water into the basement and for some years it was ankle deep.

The defect had not got worse but was in the same condition as when the building was constructed. No damage to any part of the building was shown to have been caused by the defect.

The first question was whether it had been proved that the building was out of repair so as to give rise to an obligation under the covenant to put it into repair.

The second question – being one that was treated as the main, if not the only, one at the trial – was whether, assuming the building to be in a state of disrepair, any of the schemes of treatment put forward for curing the defect were to be regarded as work of repair as opposed to being structural alterations and improvements.

The judge found that the treatment needed involved structural alterations and improvements to the basement and as such did not fall with the tenant's obligations under the lease.

Mr Spence argued that the work was work of repair because when it had been done it would not give the landlord a wholly different thing from that which had been demised. Further, he said, it would be work to a portion only of the building.

He relied on the test stated by Mr Justice Forbes in *Ravenseft Properties Ltd v Davstone* ([1980] QB 12, 21), a decision recently approved by the Court of Appeal in *Quick v Taff Ely Borough Council (The Times* August 1, 1985; [1986] QB 809).

However, the landlord's submissions were unacceptable. The facts of the case seemed highly unusual.

There was no escape from the conclusion that if, on the evidence, the premises demised were, and at all times had been, in the same physical condition as they were when constructed, no want of repair had been proved for which the tenant could be liable under the covenant.

That was sufficient to dispose of the appeal. The question considered by Mr Justice Hoffmann as to whether, as a matter of degree, any of the schemes of work qualified as "repair" as contrasted with works of improvement or alteration thus did not now arise. No view would be expressed on whether his conclusion on the point was correct.

LORD JUSTICE SLADE, agreeing, said that a state of disrepair connoted a deterioration from some previous physical condition.

If, as there, a landlord let to a tenant newly built premises of which parts had been defectively constructed, clear words were needed to impose a contractual obligation on the tenant to remedy the defects in the original construction, at least at a time before the defects had caused any damage.

That was not an obligation which a tenant under a commercial lease might reasonably be expected readily to undertake.

Sir Roger Ormrod agreed.

Solicitors: Masons; Mr B. A. Holland.

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Sandy Lyle will be working hard to recapture his 1985 Open form for 1987 starting with the PGA Tournament of Champions

Lyle stops pulling pints to lift weights

The seasonal revellers at the Five Bells, Botley, near Chesham, have more than the New Year to celebrate this evening. One of their occasional drinking companions, Sandy Lyle, has been awarded the MBE. Not that Lyle could be labelled one of the regulars. He is more than that, as he purchased the Buckinghamshire public house last summer.

"We saw it as an ideal business investment," Lyle's wife, Christine, said. "It's run by the family with my sister, Liz, and her husband, Dave, as my hosts. Sandy and I try to go along as often as possible." Even so, the celebrity owner is likely to be a less frequent visitor in 1987.

Lyle, who won the Open Championship in 1985, is determined to be successful once more after a disappointing 1986. He failed to win on the European tour and he tumbled from No. 1 position to 24th in the Epson Order of Merit with official winnings of £48,639 compared with £162,552 the previous season.

Lyle, of course, is not unduly perturbed about the reduction in revenue from the fairways as his contracts with such companies as Adidas, Ballantines Whisky, Ebel Watches, Hawkstone Park Golf and Country Club and Mizuno have elevated him to millionaire status since his Open triumph even if his natural modesty has enabled him to keep his feet firmly on the ground.

But at a luncheon with John Simpson, who handles Lyle's affairs for the Mark McCormack agency, it became apparent that if 1986 was a year for consolidation it was also one in which he discovered that he needed to strive even harder.

"The New Year message for me is quite clear," Lyle said. "I'm going to have to work a lot harder. I did not really put enough effort into the last year. I was resting on my laurels a little bit. I suppose it was a natural reaction after winning the Open. I lost interest, what with everything else going on, and I struggled to motivate myself.

"I accept it should not be that way. But, as the Open champion, it is fair to say that people expect a little more from you. And if it is not happening on the fairways then you seem to put more pressure on yourself."

Lyle has diagnosed that his problems in 1986 stemmed from a lack of desire to spend long and uncomfortable hours in driving rain or gusting winds on the inadequate practice ranges at some European tour venues. He worked as hard as any professional during the early part of the year when he was operating on the United States tour. The reward was a first official success on American soil when he captured the Greater Greensboro Open by two shots from Andy Bean at Forest Oaks.

"In an up and down year, breaking the ice in America at least gave me one high spot," Lyle said. "I started 1986 in a good frame of mind and I do tend to work a lot harder in America. I am not too keen on hitting balls on busy and cramped practice ranges especially as it can be dangerous for caddies. The facilities in America are superb although we are making progress in the right direction in Europe.

"But I will still have to overcome such apathy in 1987 and to do so I mean to be a lot fitter. Everything that you get in this game comes from the practice range but if you don't feel 100 per cent fit then it is hard to get yourself spurred on to spend the necessary hours working on the swing. And the only exercising that I've really done in recent years is to squeeze power putty to strengthen my hands.

"So one of my first duties when I arrive in America will be to make contact with the people at the David Parry Fitness Training Centre which they have at virtually every tournament. I want their advice on what exercises I should be doing."

Lyle leaves on Friday to prepare for the Mony Tournament of Champions, which begins on the La Costa course in California the following Wednesday. "I'll be hoping for a little more luck than last year when I had the chance of a good finish and then took an eight at one hole after playing the wrong ball," Lyle recalled. He will play five successive tournaments through to the Hawaiian Open on February 8 before he returns home for an intermission of two weeks.

"That's long enough to get mentally fresh again but short enough to ensure that I do not lose the sharpness that I hope to have in my game by then. Most of my swing problems in 1986 stemmed from moving my head. It tends to sway to the right on the back swing then it drops down and I lose the whole swing alignment. The result is that I block the ball to the right or hit it fat. I also got my feet too far apart, became too stiff-legged and that meant my upper body was having to work too hard during the swing."

To eradicate such potentially crucifying problems Lyle has experimented by hitting shots with his feet together. He has also continued to work on the advice of Bob Torrance, father of the Ryder Cup player, Sam, who suggested that he needed to improve his posture. "He told me to stick my bottom out, arch my back so that it is stiffer and the result is that I'm getting a much better shoulder turn.

"I'm determined to get my game together. We have such an exciting year ahead with the defence of the Ryder Cup an obvious high spot. I'm particularly looking forward to the US Masters. I was eleventh at Augusta in 1986 and I now fancy my chances around that course. I've always found Augusta to be a comfortable course on which to play but to break 70, which I believe you must do at least a couple of times to win, you need to play really well and to do that you must understand the course.

"I have now played enough times at Augusta to know it reasonably well and my goal in 1987, apart from generally tightening my game and becoming more consistent, is the major championships and the US Masters is the first."

Being the Master of Augusta would certainly give Lyle another gigantic lift and an excuse perhaps to take time off from his fitness programme for a drink or two with the locals at the Five Bells.

Mitchell Platts



Swinging in the new: Sandy Lyle and his wife, Christine, celebrate his MBE and the New Year at their public house (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

New season gets under way with fresh challenges

By John Ballantine

The nearby Pacific glints like new-polished pewter, and greenkeepers and officials cut new holes and plant flags, followed closely by caddies anxiously pacing distances.

Such scenes will herald the January 7 start of the US PGA tour at La Costa on the Californian coast, where Sandy Lyle, the winner at Greensboro last April, joins other 1986 title holders in the Tournament of Champions, a tall-masted flagship of the circuit. Nostalgia brings back the bag-toting Sanchos, too, the caddies, long after they have sworn to give the addiction up and begin a burger takeaway or rejoin a building site.

It brings back the writers also, not to mention the 140-odd qualifiers for the all-exempt tour. Gary Player, who competes in the seniors division at La Costa, always lamented how he missed the joys of watching his family grow up while, clearly, never ever intending to miss the seductive roar of the crowd, the thrill of the 12-footers rattling down the metal cups, or any part of the whole spine-tingling affair.

I will be hoping at the very start of this Ryder Cup year to crack open chestnuts like: will it be Greg Norman's year? Can Jack Nicklaus, who is aged 47 on January 21, continue to make an impact? Will Bernhard Langer's fire fade now that he is a multi-millionaire? Can Severiano Ballesteros come to terms with his love-hate relationship with America? Will Lyle, Nick Faldo and Ken Brown finally break through to the American big-time or simply continue to fill the roles of extras? And perhaps most important of all, point out clues to the possible outcome of the defence of the Ryder Cup at Muirfield, Ohio, in September.

One could argue, of course, that 1986 was Norman's year for, in addition to winning his first Open Championship in dazzling style at Sandwich, the Australian hawk ended up on top of the money-tree in the United States as well as leading in two of the nine statistical tables, putting and par-breaking, not counting finishing third in scoring (an average of 70.22) and joint second in his number of eagles (12 to Joey Sindelar's 16).

This golfing La Ronde begins to turn again, first on the West Coast and then on the East, but always in the sun, and thrusting newcomers from the qualifying schools will be out to make their names, new stars like Bob Tway, Corey Pavin and Sindelar will be hoping to consolidate, non-Americans such as Norman and Langer will try to build on former success, while Faldo, Brown and — occasionally — Ballesteros fight for the total recognition that has always eluded them in the United States. Established names such as Nicklaus, Tom Watson and Arnold Palmer will look for Indian summers.

The season of 1986 was thrilling, especially for non-Americans. Norman won the Arnold Palmer award as the leading money-winner with $653,296, although this was only $516 more than Tway, who took the Vantage Cup's enormous first prize of $500,000 with 3,105 points from 110 tournament rounds from Payne Stewart who gained 2,902 points from 95 rounds. Langer, who established a big lead in the Spring, was never going to win because of visa restrictions and he did very well to finish fifth and lift $120,000 with 2,255 points from only 67 rounds.

The German, who has built a home in Florida for himself and his American wife, Vikki, was by far the most successful European, finishing tenth in the money with $379,800 (the next best was Lyle, 64th with $143,415)

Langer took part in one of the season's 10 play-offs, losing to Tway in San Diego at the second extra hole. Ballesteros, with two eagles in one round at the Masters, and Lyle, who won Greensboro with the largest 54-hole lead of five strokes, made less significant marks.

Other rather startling nuggets from 1986: no fewer than 21 holes in one were scored, one "double eagle" or "albatross" by Mike Hulbert at Cypress Point (he covered a 491-yard par five with a drive and a 1-iron); Doug Tewell at Los Angeles and Norman at Las Vegas shared the largest winning margin of seven; Nicklaus at his own Memorial tournament shared runs of six birdies with five others, while Tway held sway in the multiple winner division with four titles followed by Zoeller with three and Norman, and seven others, with two. Calvin Peete won the straightest-driver category for the sixth consecutive year; newcomer Davis Love took the long-hitters crown with a hit of 285.7 yards on average, and he and two others, Greg Ywiggs and John McComish, broke the record of 280.1 yards set by Dan Pohl in 1981. There must be a moral somewhere; the PGA training caravan's presence at venues, perhaps.

After the 1986 champions sort themselves out at La Costa in a few weeks, Bob Hope, that apparently unextinguishable ex-Brit, entertains them for five days on the lush Palm Springs desert courses before they travel inland to play their first Phoenix Open on the new Tournament Players Club of Scottsdale.

Back to Pebble Beach near San Francisco for the re-named "Crosby", the AT and T National Pro-Am, where it will be interesting to see if the new office of mayor of Carmel has affected the 18 handicap of Clint Eastwood. Over to Hawaii and breezy Waialae, near Diamondhead, a title I think Nick Faldo might win one day, and then back to Andy Williams's event on the splendid North and South public courses of Torry Pines near San Diego before the city-run Los Angeles Open winds up the West Coast.

Even in late February it is important for golf to stay well south and so the Doral Ryder Open on Miami's "Blue Monster" is next before the Honda Classic at Eagle Trace near Fort Lauderdale. Then Palmer's invitational Bay Hill Classic in Orlando before New Orleans and Greensboro, where Lyle defends, builds up to the classic Masters. Although the commissioner, Deane Beman, claims that 70 million more television viewers watched golf last year than three years ago, the tour desperately needs more superstars like Palmer, Nicklaus and Ballesteros to keep the game in the forefront. Who will they be, I wonder?

1987 SCHEDULE: January 7-10: Mony Tournament of Champions (La Costa, California); 14-18: Bob Hope Chrysler Classic (Palm Springs); 22-25: Phoenix Open; 29-February 1: AT and T Pro-Am (Pebble Beach); February 5-8: Hawaiian Open (Honolulu); 12-15 Shearson Lehman Brothers Andy Williams Open (San Diego); 19-22: Los Angeles Open; 26-March 1: Doral Ryder Open (Miami); March 5-8: Honda Classic (Eagle Trace, Fla); 12-15: Bay Hill Classic (Orlando); 19-22: New Orleans Classic; 26-29: Tournament Players Championship (Ponte Vedra, Fla); April 2-5: Greensboro Open (North Carolina); 9-12: US Masters (Augusta, Georgia).

BASKETBALL

Life is no bed of roses for Titmuss

By Nicholas Harling

David Titmuss, the new England coach, is quickly finding out the demands of the job he has taken on. The lead-up to this week's Pohjola tournament in Finland was bad enough — with various players refusing to attend training — but then to compound matters, Portsmouth pulled out their four players who were required for their own inter-club tournament.

The tournament itself has hardly provided Titmuss, the successor to Bill Beswick, with the cosy fixtures he might have chosen for his opening games in charge. Of their 21 previous games against Finland, West Germany and Turkey, the three other competing nations, England had only won four and Titmuss was soon to discover that his makeshift squad was not capable of improving on that dismal record.

"But there were some encouraging signs," Titmuss insisted after England had lost their opening two games. "The key thing from our point of view was getting the players together and that we've done. Defensively we did okay but offensively it's clear we need more time together. Yet, it looks like we can start to build with some of the younger players."

For Sunday's game against Turkey, in which England were without the four Manchester United and Kingston players required by their clubs for the Tournament of Champions at Stretford, Titmuss had only a squad of eight. With the Turks 45-33 ahead at the interval, England seemed to be heading for a hiding but they rallied so well in the second half that the margin of defeat was only 78-77. Clyde Vaughan and Mike Bett finishing equal top scorers on 22 points. Roy Jordan, one of the three new caps blooded in that match, collected 10 points, one more than Peter Scantlebury, another newcomer.

Russell Taylor, the third new boy, sat out Monday's match in which England, reinforced by two more new caps, Jason Fogarty of Manchester United and Ken Scott of Kingston, were overwhelmed 92-70 by Finland. Titmuss had detailed his players to keep a close watch on Heikkinen and Klingan, the two Finns who had looked most impressive in their opening victory against West Germany, and so they did. Unfortunately for them, the hosts had so many other players capable of producing the goods that England were trailing 46-28 at the interval.

Although England again improved in the second half, they had no one to match the Finns in the art of accurate long-range shooting, sinking not a single three-pointer in reply to Finland's 14 from 20 attempts. "It was a question of having a new team," Titmuss added. "Having to integrate the four who arrived late meant that we were very under-prepared."

Vaughan (23 points) was again England's top marksman with less support this time from Bett who collected only five points, the same as Dave Gardner, who recently collected the player of the year award. The three other late arrivals fared little better, Balogun sinking nine points, Scott eight on his debut, and Fogarty a single basket on his first England appearance.

HOCKEY

Poor play by Midlands

By Joyce Whitehead

Midlands' performances in the territorial matches at Sherbourne yesterday were as dreary and dismal as the weather. They had plenty of chances both against South and East but frittered them away.

The first game between South and Midlands was only brought to life by two goals by Lesley Hobley, one in each half, to give South a comfortable win.

The East, in beating Midlands 2-0, had their first win of the tournament and they deserved it. They were faster onto the ball and were made to look even better than they were by Midlands' poor passes.

West held North to a 0-0 draw in the first half and then their attack crumbled. Suzanne Grimble played well in defence but nothing could stop Helen Brown and Gill Huggon from scoring to win 2-0. The goal of the tournament was scored by Julie Bannister.

She hit the ball in at a penalty corner and then directed the shot into goal and that with another penalty corner by Amanda Smith spoiled South's unbeaten record and gave North a vital win to end the second day in top place.

RESULTS: South 2, Midlands 0; North 2, West 0; East 2, Midlands 0; North 2, South 0.

Roses blossoming indoors

England can look forward to the 1987 indoor season with renewed confidence after their success in the Dundee international tournament on Monday night (Sydney Friskin writes). Playing as the Roses, they defeated Menzieshill 8-3 in the final.

Purchase (three goals), Hill (2), Nick Clark (2) and Sherwani scored for Roses, Yule, Byers and Christie for Menzieshill. Robert Hill, of Roses, was voted the player of the tournament.

The next event for England is the international tournament in Dublin from January 16 to 18 when they will face opposition from Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Canada and Australia. This tournament will include the home countries' championship in which Scotland will defend their title. The following weekend England, playing as the Roses again, will take part in the international tournament at The Hague.

DUNDEE TOURNAMENT: Results: Semi-finals: Menzieshill 4, Murray International Metals 1; Roses 2, Groningen (Neth) 1. Final: Roses 8, Menzieshill 3. Third place: Murray International Metals 11, Groningen 5. Fifth: Firebrands 8, Independent Trailers 3. Seventh: Berkenham 5, Plexus-Mercian 5.

TENNIS: WEST GERMANS LIKELY TO DOMINATE IN PLACE OF CZECHS

Balance of power moving West

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

Boris Becker, aged 19, and Steffi Graf, aged 17, may be the top people in world tennis by the end of 1987. That would not mean much of a shift for the game's governors: just a short trip from Eastern to Western Europe.

The present rulers, Ivan Lendl and Martina Navratilova, live in the United States but are products of Czechoslavak tennis. Becker and Miss Graf both come from the vicinity of Heidelberg, which could become the centre of a "Reformation" for the second time in five centuries.

Becker and Miss Graf are still improving, but in different directions. Becker is a natural grass-court player, who may be expected to graduate on hard courts before mastering the slow tempo of shale. By contrast Miss Graf is likely to become the French (shale) and United States (hard) champion before winning Wimbledon, a prize that may be within her grasp in 1988.

Miss Graf might have won the first two titles in 1986. She was good enough to do so. In Paris she had a match point for a straight sets win over Hana Mandlikova in a quarter-final and at Flushing Meadow she had three match points against Miss Navratilova in a semi-final. But these were intimidating, big-occasion challenges, even for a player with Miss Graf's strength of character. In addition, her service and volleys need sharpening.

Becker, still learning his trade in the tougher school of men's tennis, was beaten by Michiel Shapers in Melbourne, Mikael Pernfors in Paris, and Miloslav Mecir at Flushing Meadow. Lendl, French and US champion and runner-up at Wimbledon, was almost as dominant as Miss Navratilova, who reached all four grand slam finals and lost only one: to Chris Lloyd in Paris. Mrs Lloyd was the only grand slam singles finalist, of either sex, who was not born in Europe and even she has blood ties with Luxembourg.

Domestically there was nothing much to shout about in 1986. Jo Durie, Anne Hobbs and Annabel Croft were the only British players of either sex to advance to the third round of the singles in a grand slam tournament. Miss Durie and Jeremy Bates reached the quarter-finals of the mixed event at Wimbledon. At the end of 1985, the last time the Australian championships were played, Miss Durie and Miss Hobbs got to the women's doubles semi-finals.

The administration of British tennis has been discussed here at length. But this is as good a time as any to remind the Lawn Tennis Association of two cautious, diffident decisions made in 1986. Beckenham considered inviting Jimmy Connors to play in their centenary tournament.

The grand prix council had suspended Connors but made it clear that they had no jurisdiction over Beckenham, which is not a grand prix event.

The International Tennis Federation, on the other hand, insisted that Beckenham should honour the suspension — the LTA toed the ITF line rather than defending Beckenham's right to make up their own minds. Who runs British tennis: The grand prix council, the ITF, or the LTA?

The second incident occurred earlier this month when the LTA successfully resisted a proposal that an additional, independently promoted pre-Wimbledon tournament should be played in Edinburgh. There are plenty of players to go round and the more grass-court events the better, especially if they promote the game in places where the celebrities seldom, if ever, compete. But instead of welcoming competition, the LTA backed away from it in horror.

The LTA, like other governing bodies, must repeatedly re-examine its policies. As another example, consider the tie-break. It has yet to be universally accepted that the tie-break should be used in every set or (as in the Davis Cup) not at all. What is the point of discarding the tie-break in the fifth set of a men's match or the third set of a women's match?

A string of grand slam championships have been decided by tie-breaks in earlier sets. In the 1986 US championships, the only grand slam event to apply the tie-break in every set, only four of the 127 men's singles were decided by a tie-break in the fifth set. There is very little about the US tournament that could be regarded as exemplary. But at least its application of the tie-break is logical.

Finally, the most bizarre tennis story of the year emerged from Lagos less than four weeks ago. Four American professionals competing there were suddenly hit by what may delicately be described as a religious thunderbolt. Two decided that each was Jesus Christ and that a third was Satan and could purge his sins only by jumping out of the hotel window — which he did. The window and the injuries have been mended and, presumably, all sorts of lessons learned. Funny game, tennis.



Steffi Graf: success beckons, but not yet at Wimbledon

Turnbull vows to shrug off set-back

From Barry Wood, Brisbane

Wendy Turnbull, the former US Open and French Open finalist, is anxious to prove, at the age of 34, that she is not ready for retirement despite suffering one of the most embarrassing defeats of her career yesterday in the Jason 2000 women's tournament here. Miss Turnbull, ranked 18th in the world, was beaten 6-1, 2-6, 6-2 by Heather Ludloff, an American ranked 251st, but has set herself a demanding programme for 1987.

"I know at the moment I'm overweight and I'm not working as hard as I could," she admitted. "I don't think I allowed myself enough time to prepare for the tournament and she had the benefit of playing through qualifying and first round matches."

Despite her set-back she has no intention of retiring from the game. "I like to keep playing because I thrive on the competition. I don't like to play 'social tennis.' I find that very boring. I don't like to practice much but I do like to go out on the court and compete.

"I have made a commitment to myself, to the circuit and to my doubles partner, Hana Mandlikova, right through 1987 and I have no intention of changing that at all," she said. "What I decide to do after that will depend on what kind of year 1987 has been."

Although stating that she would lose no sleep over the upset against Miss Ludloff, Miss Turnbull will certainly be re-assessing her commitment to the game that long ago made her a millionairess. It is tempting to speculate, from the evasive answer she gave when asked just how much she had prepared for her first match on grass since Wimbledon, that her build-up was restricted to the pre-match warm-up. Certainly she had taken her annual break at the end of the year as usual, while ignoring the fact that the tournament dates had been changed this year.

Miss Mandlikova, meanwhile, overwhelmed the unfortunate Marie Calleja, of France, 6-0, 6-0, in a mere 38 minutes. "I can't remember winning 6-0, 6-0, since the juniors. I was just happy I could get settled because I haven't played for a long time," the top seed said.

Britain also had something to cheer about as Sara Gomer reached a third round clash with Helena Sukova by defeating Eva Krapl, of Switzerland, 6-3, 6-3, and Anne Hobbs won 7-6, 6-1, against Carin Bakum, a qualifier, from The Netherlands. Hobbs meets Pam Shriver, the second seed, in the next round.

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World's best take home millions again

Paris (AFP) — Ivan Lendl and Martina Navratilova, the world No. 1s, earned nearly $2 million (about £1,408,541) each to head the money-earning stakes for 1986. Lendl, whose major victories came in the French and US Opens and the Grand Prix Masters, earned $1,987,537 to head the cash stakes for the fourth time. His career earnings are $10,302,129.

Navratilova's year, which included taking the Wimbledon and US Open titles, brought her $1,905,841 as she led the women for the ninth year in succession. Lendl's closest rival was the Wimbledon champion, Boris Becker, but he was more than half a million dollars down.

No Americans appear in the top 10, which includes four Swedes and three Frenchmen.

BOXING

Feeney will not quit the ring yet

John Feeney, twice holder of the British bantamweight championship, will carry on despite a third successive British title defeat two months ago.

Feeney's future was under discussion after Robert Dickie beat him by a large points margin in the featherweight championship in Ebbw Vale two months go. This followed a hotly disputed defeat by Dickie six months earlier, and a points loss to Ray Gilbody in June 1985 which cost him the bantamweight title.

But he will try again, his manager, Denny Mancini, said yesterday. "He still has his enthusiasm and he will give it another season and then take stock of himself. He was very disappointed to have lost to Dickie in October but did not agree with the verdict in the first Dickie fight. Neither did I and neither did a lot of other people."

Feeney is prepared to meet all comers and his future may be in the super-featherweight division. "At this stage of his career the pace may suit him better," Mancini said.

Feeney, a professional since 1977, won the British bantamweight title for the first time in 1981 and again in 1983 before he was finally deposed by Gilbody. More than a quarter of his 46 fights have been for championships — British, European or Commonwealth.

● Dave Gardside, of Hartlepool, will meet Steve Mamino, a American, over 10 rounds at the Mayflower Suite, Newcastle, on February 5. The bout will keep Garside busy while he waits for his British heavyweight championship meeting with Horace Notice, of Birmingham, which is scheduled to take place in May.

Notice first has to go through with a delayed Commonwealth title fight against Proud Kilimanjaro, of Zimbabwe, which is scheduled for February.

TABLE TENNIS

Rankings under scrutiny

Alan Cooke, who is officially ranked No. 2 in England, and Carl Prean, rated by many experts as the second best player, have the chance to settle that particular argument in the Triumph Adler national championships at Crawley on January 24 and 25.

They are in the same half of the men's singles draw, which was announced yesterday, and are expected to meet at the semi-finals stage. The winner should go on to challenge England's No. 1, Desmond Douglas, who is chasing a record tenth men's singles crown.

Cooke has jumped over Prean in the rankings after beating Douglas last autumn in the national Top 12 tournament, albeit with games up to 11 points instead of the normal 21. Douglas avenged the defeat last month in the Middlesex open tournament when the more orthodox method of scoring was used.

Prean has dropped in the rankings because he plays very little in England these days, restricting his activities largely to West Germany.

The new entry procedure restricts participation in this event to the elite top 64 men and 32 women in the rankings. But this has backfired because not all of these leading players have entered. Consequently there are fewer than 60 male competitors and only 28 women.

The women's title is defended by Joy Grundy but the top seed is the National No. 1, Lisa Bellinger.

TOP SEEDINGS: Men: 1, D Douglas; 2, A Cooke; 3, C Prean; 4, S Andrew. Women: 1, L Bellinger; 2, A Gordon; 3, J Grundy; 4, F Eliot.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Swansea v Llanelli (7.0).

OTHER SPORT

HOCKEY: Women's territorial tournament (at Sherborne School, Dorset, 9.30am).

TENNIS: Junior covered court championships (at Queen's Club, West Kensington).

RACING: CORPORAL CLINGER FAILS BY A NECK TO LAND LEOPARDSTOWN PRIZE

Evergreen Crimson Embers to outstay the young pretenders

By Mandarin

Crimson Embers, who reaches the grand old age of 12 at midnight tonight, can defy his advancing years by winning the Spa Hurdle on his seasonal debut at Cheltenham this afternoon.

Fulke Walwyn's veteran stayer, who has been a fine servant to the stable for six years, was as good as ever last season, gaining a 15-length triumph in the Waterford Crystal Stayers' Hurdle, a race he also captured in 1982.

The distance of today's contest — 2½ miles — would appear a little on the short side for him but with the going sure to be extremely testing, the emphasis will be on stamina and that is a quality he possesses in abundance. On this demanding course, I expect to see Stuart Shilston's mount running on up the hill when some of his rivals have cried enough.

I have few doubts, either, that Crimson Embers will be fit enough to do himself justice. He was beaten on his reappearance last season but the stable was going through a poor patch at the time and that run can safely be ignored.

The previous two seasons Crimson Embers won first time out and further evidence that he goes well when fresh was provided by his Festival success in March — his first race for 11 weeks.

Pike's Peak was one of the leading novices in training last season, winning four of his last five races in good company and chasing home Ten Plus in the Sun Alliance Hurdle at Cheltenham in the other.

He disappointed when a well-beaten fourth to Sabin Du Loir on his reappearance at Wolverhampton five weeks ago but was clearly in need of the run that day and was badly treated by the conditions of the race. I expect him to step up on that effort today without troubling Crimson Embers.

Sheer Gold finished just ahead of Pike's Peak at Wolverhampton but had the advantage of a previous run there. She has been beaten twice since that race and will find it hard to confirm the form with a fitter Pike's Peak.

The Grand National winner, West Tip, continues his build-up for Liverpool in the Old Year Handicap Chase and, while he will undoubtedly be suited by the trip of four miles, he faces a formidable task here carrying 12 stone.

With the 1987 National still more than three months away, I feel sure Michael Oliver will not want to have his charge at his peak just yet and the Handicapper would not look kindly on victory here when he comes to announce the big-race weights next month.

For those reasons I will look elsewhere for the winner and **Elmboy** makes most appeal. A 12-length winner of the 1985 Cheltenham Foxhunters, Elmboy missed much of last season after finishing lame at Cheltenham in December when he was attempting to give Run And Skip 5lb and was beaten only seven lengths.

Norman Mawle has nursed his stable star back to health and he finished a most promising third under 12st 7lb behind the fitter Greenbank Park on his reappearance at Towcester 18 days ago. He meets Greenbank Park on 19lb better terms today and, with this gruelling trip very much in his favour, is napped to take his revenge.

Pearlyman, reportedly none the worse for his Wetherby fall on Saturday, can defy his welter burden in the Fairford Handicap Chase. He looked an outstanding young two-mile chaser at the end of last season and again when reappearing at Cheltenham earlier this month. Saturday's lapse should prove to be only a minor set-back on the way to top honours.

Townley Stone, one of the leading novices two seasons ago, has his first run for Nick Henderson but he is likely to need the race and, in any case, is a better horse on fast ground. A bigger danger to the top weight may be Roadster, who is well treated on some of last season's good form.

Emo Forever, a disappointment over fences this season, reverts to the smaller obstacles for the Ernest Robinson Handicap Hurdle and the Coral Golden Hurdle runner-up has a leading chance on his best form.

Playschool will be fancied to make amends for his Boxing Day Kempton fall in the Broadway Novices' Chase but better value may be obtained by supporting another West Country raider, **Hinter City**, who beat the useful Mr Frisk when winning over today's course and distance in November.

At Leicester, my principal fancies are **Bird Of Spirit** and **Ivy League** in the two novice chases. Josh Gifford runs the latter in the Gallowtree Novices' Chase rather than take on Playschool and company at Cheltenham and that looks a shrewd move at this stage in the six-year-old's promising career.

Bird Of Spirit won over today's course and distance on his seasonal debut and has little to beat in the Quorn Novices' Chase.

New Year's Day service

Unlike the other quality newspapers, *The Times* will be publishing tomorrow, New Year's Day. Our comprehensive racing service will include Michael Seely's report from Cheltenham and Mandarin's preview of the five New Year's Day programmes.

The five racecards will incorporate form for the televised meeting at Cheltenham and *The Times* Private Handicapper's exclusive ratings for Cheltenham and Catterick Bridge. There will also be results in full from today's two meetings.

To be sure of your copy of *The Times* tomorrow, place an order with your newsagent today.

Derrymore Boy puts spanner in the works

From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

That magical man, Paddy Mullins, made a mess of the Irish handicapper's careful calculations for The Ladbroke at Leopardstown on Saturday week by saddling Derrymore Boy to beat the even-money favourite, Corporal Clinger, in yesterday's Sean Graham Memorial Hurdle.

In this conditions race, over the same course and distance as The Ladbroke will be run, Derrymore Boy was only getting a 5lb weight-for-age allowance from Corporal Clinger. In The Ladbroke, the English-trained horse has been rated no less than 28lb superior.

The winner was never out of the first three at any stage yesterday and indeed made most of the running. At the second last flight, Bonalma, Corporal Clinger and Deep Idol all looked as if they would overhaul the pacemaker.

Derrymore Boy is, however, a robust battler and even after he was briefly headed by Corporal Clinger on the run-in he rallied to go on and win by a neck. The winner collects a 6lb penalty for The Ladbroke but has been promoted to joint-favouritism.

An exciting finish is in store on the last day of the jump jockeys' championship at Punchestown this afternoon as Tom Morgan, with 51 successes to his credit, has a lead of one over the perennial champion, Frank Berry. Berry has a good chance of at least forcing a tie as he has three mounts today against Morgan's one.



The champion jockey, Peter Scudamore, seen here winning on Mou-Dafa at Haydock, shows the power and determination which has put him ahead in this season's title race

CHELTENHAM

Selections

By Mandarin

12.45 Hinter City.
1.20 Pearlyman.
1.55 Crimson Embers.
2.30 ELMBOY (nap).
3.05 Emo Forever.
3.40 Intuition.

By Michael Seely
12.45 Playschool. 3.05 Frenchmans Fancy.

Going: soft

12.45 BROADWAY NOVICE CHASE (£3,876: 3m 1f) (7 runners)

101	0/21F	HINTER CITY (C) (H Handel) H Handel 8-11-8	Miss H Handel	86	12-1
102	00-1F1F	PLAYSCHOOL (R Cottle) D Barons 8-11-8	P Nicholls	● 99	F5-4
104	014-40	GRAGARA PRIDE (J Poynton) P O'Connor 9-11-0	R Beggan	75	16-1
107	0-41102	KILDIMO (Lady Harris) G Balding 6-11-0	G Bradley	—	7-2
108	42F43-3	LAKEFIELD (J Bukovets) J Bukovets 7-11-0	S Cusack	80	16-1
111	00400-3	STAR OF SCREEN (R McAlpine) J Edwards 6-11-0	D Browne	84	10-1
112	303/0-11	THE HACIENDEROS (Mrs B Curley) B Curley 7-11-0	D Murphy	91	5-1

1986: CROSS MASTER 9-11-0 R Crank (9-1) T Bill 10 ran

FORM HINTER CITY (11-2), winner of amateur riders' race here last month, fell most recent start. PLAYSCHOOL (11-7) also fell latest: previously beat No-U-Turn (10-10) 30l at Doncaster (3m, £1677, good to firm, Dec 12, 6 ran). KILDIMO is an interesting recruit to chasing. On latest start (11-10) 1½l 2nd to Bluff Cove (10-1) in a competitive handicap hurdle here (3m, £3116, good, Dec 5, 26 ran). LAKEFIELD (11-1) should strip fitter for a 26l 3rd to Against The Grain (11-4) at Nottingham (3m, £2322, good, Dec 20, 10 ran). STAR OF SCREEN (11-0) 8l 3rd to Gold Tycoon (11-0) at Bangor (2m 4f, £2328, soft, Dec 8, 16 ran). THE HACIENDEROS (11-8) on a treble after beating Cumrew (11-2) by a length at Lingfield (2m 4f, £1486, soft, Dec 20, 8 ran).
Selection: PLAYSCHOOL

1.20 FAIRFORD HANDICAP CHASE (£4,149: 2m) (6 runners)

201	4112-1U	PEARLYMAN (CD,BF) (Mrs P Shaw) J Edwards 7-12-7 (6ex)	P Barton	98	F5-2
202	320111/	TOWNLEY STONE (D) (Mrs M Townley) N Henderson 7-11-11	S Smith Eccles	96	4-1
203	P-U4223	MUSIC BE MAGIC (CD) (N Mason) G W Richards 7-11-2	P Tuck	● 99	11-4
204	13221-F	ROADSTER (CD) (C Nash) C Nash 8-11-0	R Dunwoody	98	7-2
208	1F2400	CLAY HILL (D) (P Durkan) J Gifford 7-10-7	E Murphy	90	10-1
210	011132	HOPE END (D) (Mrs Y Allsop) R Dickin 8-10-0	W Humphries (7)	84	12-1

1986: RORQUAL 11-10-2 J Bryan (33-1) Mrs M Rimell 6 ran

FORM PEARLYMAN (11-13) impressive on reappearance when beating French Union (10-10) 7l, with CLAY HILL (10-7) another 6½l back in 6th here (2m, £4565, good, Dec 6, 7 ran). TOWNLEY STONE (12-2) last ran in Britain when beating I Haventalight (11-7) a short head at Ascot (2m 4f, £10466, good, Apr 85, 8 ran), but won 2m 3l chase in France in Sept 85. MUSIC BE MAGIC (10-12) may have found 2m 4l beyond him when 23l 3rd to Repington (10-3) at Doncaster (2m 4f, good to firm): better judged on previous outing (11-7) when a head 2nd to Berlin (11-2) at Sandown (2m, £7119, good to soft, Nov 29, 7 ran). ROADSTER (10-6) best considered on final start of last season when beating Norton Cross (10-2) 3l here (2m, £4862, heavy, Apr 16, 8 ran). HOPE END (11-7) 7l 2nd to Cole Porter (11-7) at Huntingdon (2m, £1691, soft, Dec 26, 5 ran).
Selection: MUSIC BE MAGIC

1.55 SPA HURDLE (£2,991: 2m 4f) (6 runners)

303	322/012-	CRIMSON EMBERS (B,C) (Mrs S Smart) F Walwyn 11-11-12	S Shilston	98	3-1
305	11211-4	PIKE'S PEAK (CD) (Lord Soames) N Henderson 5-11-8	S Smith Eccles	97	F9-4
308	1110F-0	RIVA ROSE (W Gaff) Mrs J Pitman 5-11-4	M Pitman	87	12-1
310	30-3302	SHEER GOLD (D) (Lady Harris) G Balding 6-11-3	G Bradley	● 99	3-1
311	02002-3	CATS EYES (B) (T Chandler) M Pipe 6-11-0	P Leach	95	9-2
312	012102/	CUT A DASH (D) (D Larke) Mrs N Smith 7-11-0	C Brown	—	8-1

1986: CORPORAL CLINGER 7-11-12 P Leach (6-1) M Pipe 9 ran

FORM CRIMSON EMBERS, winner of the Stayers' Hurdle for a second time here last season, was not disgraced when (11-11) 6l 2nd to Gaye Brief (12-2) at Ascot with SHEER GOLD (11-11) 8½l away 5th (3m, £9318, good, Apr 9, 11 ran). This season SHEER GOLD's best effort when (11-3) 4l 2nd to Out of the Gloom (11-3) at Ascot (3m 2f, £6740, good, Dec 13, 5 ran). Previously (11-5) a moderate 20½l 3rd to Sabin du Loir (10-12) with PIKES PEAK (11-10) 1½l away 4th at Wolverhampton (2m 6f, £2666, good to soft, Nov 24, 5 ran). CATS EYES, despite needing the race, was not far below best when (12-6) 3½l 3rd to Motojec (10-4) at Ascot (2m 4f, £3229, good, Dec 13, 23 ran). PIKES PEAK (11-7) turned in easily best performance when beating Ishkomann (11-5) 15l at Ascot (3m, £5540, good, Apr 12, 19 ran). CUT A DASH, off the course since (10-10) a creditable ¾l 2nd to Rushmoor (10-10) at Sandown in 1984 (2m, £7293, firm, Nov 3, 3 ran).
Selection: SHEER GOLD

2.30 OLD YEAR HANDICAP CHASE (£4,612: 4m) (11 runners)

401	0011-04	WEST TIP (C) (P Luff) M Oliver 9-12-0	R Dunwoody	91	7-1
402	F21-24F	PLUNDERING (C) (Mrs M Valentine) F Winter 9-11-4	P Scudamore	94	6-1
403	3/2102-3	ELMBOY (C) (W Mawle) W Mawle 8-10-13	C Brown	95	12-1
404	P/34010	LUCKY VANE (CD) (Miss B Swire) G Balding 11-10-9	J Frost	97	F4-1
405	30P-200	KUMBI (C) (D Lunt) D McCain 11-10-7	S Morshead	● 99	10-1
406	1P-0410	KNOCK HILL (CD) (P Thompson) J Webber 10-10-0	G Memagh	93	9-1
407	1-34030	WHY FORGET (P Piller) W A Stephenson 10-10-0	C Grant	88	9-1
408	P0-422U	MEMBERSON (P Dufosee) P Dufosee 8-10-0	B Powell	96	14-1
409	B114-32	NO PARDON (BF) (A Hobbs) P Hobbs 11-10-0	Peter Hobbs	81	14-1
410	320P-11	GREENBANK PARK (R Perkins) S Christian 9-10-0 (5ex)	R Beggan	80	9-2
412	04P/0-40	VULRORY'S PIE (Mrs H Dowson) Mrs H Dowson 9-10-0	J Suthern	—	50-1

1986: KNOCK Hill 10-10-1 G Memagh (12-1) J Webber 8 ran

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103	(12)	0-0432	TIMESFORM (CD,BF) (Mrs J Ryley) B Hall 9-10-0	B West (4)	88	7-2

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating. Approximate starting price.

FORM Last season's Grand National winner WEST TIP (11-10) was far from disgraced on latest start when 26½l 4th to Door Latch (11-1), with both PLUNDERING (11-0) and MEMBERSON (10-0) failing to complete at Ascot (3m, £13790, good, Dec 13, 12 ran). On previous outing PLUNDERING (10-12) finished a creditable 5l 4th to Broadheath (10-5) at Newbury (3m 2f, £17448, good to soft, Nov 22, 15 ran). KUMBI (10-13) cut out much of the running when 10½l 5th to Stearsby (11-5) with LUCKY VANE (10-11) another 15l back in 6th, KNOCK HILL (10-2) a disappointing 8th and WHY FORGET (10-2) tailed off in the Welsh National at Chepstow (3m 6f, £21137, soft, Dec 20, 17 ran). Earlier KUMBI (11-6) finished a length 2nd to Blackhawk Star (10-0) at Haydock (4m, good to soft) with KNOCK HILL (10-6) another 3½l back in 4th and LUCKY VANE (11-7) a further 2l back in 6th. LUCKY VANE (11-9) is better judged on a 6l beating of MEMBERSON (10-12) at Sandown (3m 5f, £3284, good to soft, Nov 28, 8 ran). KNOCK HILL (11-7) at best when beating Play The Knave (10-9) 5l at Worcester (3m 5f, £3038, good to soft, Dec 3, 6 ran). GREENBANK PARK (10-3) had ELMBOY (12-7) just over 20l back in 3rd when winning at Towcester (3m, good to soft). On final outing of last season ELMBOY (10-9) far from disgraced when 7l 2nd to Run And Skip (10-4) with KNOCK HILL (10-0) a well beaten 4th here (3m 1f, £6068, soft, Dec 85, 6 ran).
Selection: KUMBI

3.5 ERNEST ROBINSON HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,855: 3m) (17 runners)

502	12/43-01	MODEL PUPIL (D) (Niland & Treacy Constr Co Ltd) O O'Neill 6-11-7	S J O'Neill	94	F5-1
503	0-40F0U	EMO FOREVER (B,CD) (A McCluskey) M H Easterby 6-11-2	L Wyer	● 99	7-1
504	104-412	DAD'S GAMBLE (BF) (C Alexander) R Fisher 5-11-1	M Meagher	91	11-2
506	122-2	FRENCHMANS FANCY (BF) (R Jenks) N Gaselee 5-10-13	D Browne	91	6-1
507	FF24/4P-	SILENT MEMBER (Mrs D Stamp) G Gracey 11-10-12	R Beggan	—	25-1
508	P0P-4B0	CELTIC CRACKER (CD) (P Evans) R Hartop 8-10-9	P Warner	87	10-1
509	0-03424	VELESO (T Forde) J King 8-10-7	S McNeill	90	12-1
510	13P0-9P	SUPER EXPRESS (B) (S Williams) D Wintle 5-10-4	Miss T Davis (4)	90	25-1
511	00/01P-0	SHOEMENDER (P Rodford) P Rodford 9-10-3	C Gray	98	20-1
512	F00/200	GENERAL CHRYSON (M Peraticos) J Gifford 6-10-2	E Murphy	90	14-1
513	414400	DEW (C) (Kestrel Cases Ltd) R Holder 5-10-1	N Coleman	89	12-1
515	01/0	RANCHER (A Hill) L Kennard 5-10-0	B Powell	—	20-1
516	00F1-0	SHEER STEEL (D) (Steel Plate & Sections Ltd) P Cundell 6-10-0	P Scudamore	92	8-1
517	02-P000	BLACKWELL BOY (Triam South West Ltd) A James 5-10-0	—	92	33-1
519	P/00P0-0	FARMER (R Hawker) R Hawker 11-10-0	E Waite	—	14-1
521	41P/001	DOWNTOWN CHICAGO (A Brewer Pimbg Ltd) F Jordan 5-10-0	C Smith	66	16-1
522	P0000-	DIM DRUMS (I Blair) I Blair 7-10-0	P McDermott (7)	—	33-1

1986: MICK'S STAR 6-11-2 P Tuck (4-1) M W Easterby 14 ran

FORM MODEL PUPIL (10-7) turned in an excellent effort to beat in-form Spiders Well (10-1) 1½l at Chepstow with BLACKWELL BOY (10-3) a distant 9th (3m, £6950, soft, Nov 29, 14 ran). EMO FOREVER has been disappointing over fences. Despite being a sketchy hurdler had good form in handicaps last season, particularly (10-7) a 6l 2nd to Motivator (10-7) here at the Festival meeting (3m 1f, £13959, good, Mar 12, 31 ran). FRENCHMAN'S FANCY (10-4) had GENERAL CHRYSON (10-0) 8½l back in 5th when 8l 2nd to Red Rocky (10-4) at Sandown (2m 5f, £3275, good to soft, Nov 29, 18 ran). SUPER EXPRESS, also in rear on that occasion, showed better form when (10-0) 22l 5th to Inlander (10-0) at Lingfield (2m 4f, £12367, good to soft, Mar 15, 16 ran). SHEER STEEL, needed race on reappearance, and is better judged (11-05) on a ¾l win over Cavvies Clown (11-10) at Chepstow (3m, £1130, soft, Mar 15, 20 ran).
Selection: MODEL PUPIL

3.40 WOODMANCOTE NOVICE HURDLE (£2,320: 2m) (15 runners)

601	22111	KEYNES (D) (D Dodson) J Jenkins 6-11-12	R Dunwoody	96	F9-4
602	11	INTUITION (D) (A Spence) R Akehurst 4-11-8	Dale McKeown (7)	● 99	3-1
607	20	DOWJAK (Maj H Porter) Mrs M Rimell 5-11-0	P Scudamore	83	8-1
609	0PP-	FRIENDLY MEMBER (R Hawker) R Hawker 4-11-0	Mr D Williams (7)	—	33-1
610	00	GOOD SAMARITAN (Lady Wates) R Gow 5-11-0	C Brown	—	33-1
611	00430F/	GREAT SHADOW (B) (J Bukovets) J Bukovets 6-11-0	S Cusack (7)	—	33-1
615		MY KIKALONG (Alton Limited) J Gifford 4-11-0	E Murphy	—	10-1
616		REDMARLEY (Mrs G Balding) G Balding 4-11-0	G Bradley	—	11-2
617	0	SOUND OF MULL (I Steers) P Bailey 4-11-0	—	—	20-1
620		TELEMASHOS (Miss A Whitfield) J Whitfield 4-11-0	S McNeill	—	33-1
624	F00/P-0P	TOURNAMENT LEADER (D Marks) D Marks 6-11-0	S Morshead	—	33-1
625		MAIREAD'S JOY (D Hobdell Bldg Ltd) N Henderson 5-10-9	S Smith Eccles	—	12-1
626		MARITA ANN (Mrs S Anderson) J Webber 5-10-9	G Memagh	—	33-1
627	2-0	VIPSANIA (BF) (M Meade) Mrs M Rimell 5-10-9	D Browne	80	14-1
628	11	TIVIAN (Lady Matthews) I V Matthews 6-11-8	NON-RUNNER	—	—

1986: MRS MUCK 5-10-9 P Scudamore (14-1) N Twiston-Davies 18 ran

FORM KEYNES is on the upgrade. Was winning third race in succession when (11-10) beating None Too Dear (11-0) 2l, the pair well clear, at Plumpton (2m, £840, soft, Dec 9, 17 ran). INTUITION (11-6) had something in hand when beating Harry's Bar (11-0) ½l at Lingfield (2m, £686, soft, Dec 6, 16 ran). DOWJAK, unplaced on Saturday, was (10-12) favourite when 6l runner-up to Spanish Reel at Wolverhampton (2m, £1249, firm, Nov 5, 11 ran). REDMARLEY makes his hurdling debut today after a quite impressive (11-2) ½L victory over Alaska Run (11-2) in a N.H. Flat Race at Doncaster (2m 150yds, £826, good, Dec 13, 18 ran).
Selection: INTUITION

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
R Fisher	5	23	21.7	D Browne	8	36	22.2
J Jenkins	8	40	20.0	P Tuck	8	42	19.0
F Winter	40	206	19.4	C Grant	7	45	15.6
F Walwyn	20	142	14.1	S Shilston	5	33	15.2
G Richards	8	58	13.8	G Bradley	9	65	13.8
M H Easterby	9	69	13.0	P Leach	5	44	11.4

LEICESTER

Selections

By Mandarin

1.00 Smith's Gamble.
1.30 Career Madness.
2.00 Claude Monet.
2.30 Bird Of Spirit.
3.00 Ivy League.
3.30 I Wonder When.

Michael Seely's selection: 2.00 YOU'RE WELCOME (nap).
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 1.00 SMITH'S GAMBLE.

Going: soft (chase course); heavy (hurdles)

1.0 PYTCHLEY NOVICE HURDLE (£1,739: 2m) (20 runners)

2	1	SMITH'S GAMBLE (D) (A Smith) Mrs J Pitman 4-11-4	M Perrett	● 99	F6-4
3	0-	ARCTIC BARD (T Wragg) D Williams 5-10-12	R Crank	—	20-1
6		CELTIC SHOT (D Horton) F Winter 4-10-12	J Duggan	—	12-1
8	F0	HASTY DIVER (K Britten) J Old 5-10-12	C Llewellyn (7)	—	14-1
9		MALANDRIN (J Galvanoni) O Sherwood 5-10-12	C Cox	—	6-1
11	0	NORTHERN GAMBLER (T Hemmings) S Mellor 4-10-12	G Landau (4)	87	5-1
12	U-04030	OLD FORD TAVERN (O Donnelly) J Jenkins 5-10-12	F Leavy	93	12-1
14		OVER THE SLANEY (H Mo) F Winter 5-10-12	B de Haan	—	7-1
18		PROFESSIONAL VIEW (P S B Racing Ltd) P Charlton 5-10-12	M Dwyer	—	16-1
19	PP	SEAL COURT (Mrs M Giles) J Scallan 4-10-12	M Furlong	—	33-1
22	0	TRUE JACK (R Piper) G Thorner 5-10-12		—	20-1
24	P	WORSTEAD TYCOON (J Ellis) M Tompkins 5-10-12	J Barlow	—	25-1
26	0000-00	CELTIC MARY (A Godrich) J Spearing 6-10-7	P Dever	—	16-1
28		CRIMSON MOON (T Kersey) T Kersey 4-10-7	Susan Kersey (7)	—	33-1
30		GOLDEN BAZAAR (K Pinfield) J Cosgrave 4-10-7	T Pinfield (7)	—	25-1
31	0	HIGH RIVER (F Lees) F C Lees 4-10-7	P Corrigan	—	25-1
32	PP0-000	KHARAB BIBI (F Elton-Barratt) R Dickin 5-10-7	C Jones	—	25-1
36	P0/	NORTH GRANGE (C Peake) Mrs A Hewitt 5-10-7	M Williams	—	33-1
37		PRINCESS BABU (Exors of late Maj H Scudamore) M Scudamore 4-10-7	A Sharpe	—	25-1
38	00F-0	ROSIE CONE (M Smith) Mrs P Sly 4-10-7	M Bastard	93	10-1

1985: Meeting abandoned — frost

1.30 HOBY SELLING HURDLE (£794: 2m) (14 runners)

4	P0-	BUNGEBELLE (P Lee) C F Lee 4-11-2	J A Harris	—	20-1
5	0020	RELUCTANT GIFT (D Gandolfo) D Gandolfo 4-11-2	C Evans (4)	88	5-1
7	0002	VULGARIS (Top Industrial Mantg Ltd) P Davis 4-11-2	M Bowlby (4)	92	4-1
9	000	ATROMITOS (A Chung) W G Turner 3-10-7	Tracy Turner (7)	—	10-1
10	U0	CAREER MADNESS (B) (T Ramsden) M Ryan 3-10-7	J McLaughlin	—	9-1
11	P00	CHERRY LUSTRE (C Rivers) B Stevens 3-10-7	S Moore	—	12-1
12	0BF0	FIRE LORD (T Crowson) M Hinchliffe 3-10-7	L Harvey (4)	—	16-1
14	403	MY DERYA (B) (Mrs H Akyuz) B McMahon 3-10-7	P Dever	● 99	F9-4
15	0	MY MONTE (J Stafford) H O'Neill 3-10-7	R Chapman (4)	—	12-1
16	P04P	RUDOLPH MOLE (Mrs S Lamyman) Mrs S Lamyman 3-10-7	P Corrigan	—	16-1
18	03F	TIBER GATE (R Hollinshead) R Hollinshead 3-10-7	D Carcary (7)	82	7-1
19	030	CLAP YOUR HANDS (Mrs M Shayler) P Bevan 3-10-2	—	80	10-1
20	FB	DALBY GIRL (J Benbow) P Felgate 3-10-2	S Johnson	—	20-1
23		SPORTING PRINCESS (Mrs Bridgwater) K Bridgwater 3-10-2	W Worthington (7)	—	20-1

2.0 LEICESTERSHIRE SILVER FOX HANDICAP CHASE (£3,661: 2m 4f) (4 runners)

1	1/11020-	YOU'RE WELCOME (C) (S Embiricos) J Gifford 10-11-10	R Rowe	90	4-1
3	3B13-02	MISTY FORT (D,BF) (J Sumner) T Forster 8-11-2	H Davies	95	F7-4
4	20/04-32	CLAUDE MONET (D) (T Whitley) D Gandolfo 8-10-0	M Dwyer	● 99	2-1
5	121B2-0	MANNA REEF (D) (K Al-Said) J Edwards 8-10-0	Mr M Richards (7)	89	6-1

2.30 QUORN NOVICE CHASE (£1,266: 2m) (8 runners)

1	210-012	BIRD OF SPIRIT (CD,BF) (E Praill) M Scudamore 6-11-12	A Sharpe	● 99	F6-4
2	004	AVON VALE (P Locke) P Cundell 5-11-4	Mr S Cowley (7)	—	4-1
4	33-0330	CRADLE OF JAZZ (K Britten) J Old 6-11-4	C Llewellyn (7)	88	5-1
6	20000-0	EASBY EMBLEM (J Chugg) J Chugg 6-11-4	M Bowlby (4)	—	16-1
8	03/00	GREEN RIDGE (Unicol Group Holdings Ltd) S Mellor 7-11-4	M Harrington	—	10-1
9	00-2FF0	KITTINGER (H Joel) A Turnell 5-11-4	Steve Knight	96	6-1
10	4F0F	NETHER WALLOP (Miss S Webber) J Webber 9-11-4	M Jenkins	—	12-1
14	PF22F0	LE MARSH (R Steward) J Scallan 9-10-13	M Furlong	82	14-1

3.0 GALLOWTREE NOVICE CHASE (£1,943: 3m) (11 runners)

2	00-013	FIREWORKS NIGHT (CD,BF) (J Rose) N Henderson 7-11-4	M Bowlby (4)	● 99	7-2
3	P0PP-1	IVY LEAGUE (J Hutchinson) J Gifford 6-11-4	R Rowe	84	F3-1
6	0P4	BOREEN KING (G P S Print Ltd) S Mellor 5-10-12	M Harrington	88	14-1
11	11-40P3	HIGH RENOWN (Dewfresh Mushrooms) J Jenkins 8-10-12	M Dwyer	93	6-1
12	4000-0P	LE SARTHOIS (B) (B Lay) B Lay 9-10-12	Mr L Lay (7)	83	20-1
16	F/00033-	MY MAJOR (Mrs G Godfrey) P W Harris 7-10-12	R Stronge	94	16-1
17	000-F02	NED LAWLESS (Mrs M Richardson) J Old 6-10-12	C Llewellyn (7)	97	7-1
19	P0003-3	ORCHID BAY (B) (R Sims) Mrs J Pitman 9-10-12	C Mann	—	7-1
21	22032-3	REDDOWN (Mrs H Haynes) R Armytage 8-10-12	Mr M Armytage (7)	93	10-1
24		VULCHECK (G Cheshire) D Williams 7-10-12	D Williams	—	25-1
28	4204F-0	PENNY FALLS (G Dook) Mrs C Dook 7-10-7	D Shaw	80	20-1

3.30 MIDLAND HANDICAP HURDLE (£940: 2m) (15 runners)

1	22010/0-	PETIT PAIN (D) (Mrs S Minns) Mrs J Pitman 5-12-0	M O'Callaghan (7)	97	8-1
3	UP4004	SHENTON WAY (D) (M Hickey) J Jenkins 6-11-4	M Dwyer	95	6-1
4	00/0040	ROYAL MANX (D) (Bryn Palling Ltd) B Palling 9-11-4	C Evans (4)	—	16-1
6	13/P	GILDED CHIEF (D) (Mrs J McMahon) B McMahon 9-11-0	Mr E McMahon (7)	—	12-1
7	131-124	I WONDER WHEN (CD) (M Oseman) G Price 5-11-0	Mr M Price (7)	94	8-1
8	0301-00	END OF THE ROAD (D) (K Perrett) J Perrett 6-11-0	R Stronge	94	10-1
9	100/00-0	MY CHALLENGE (D) (K Bedworth) K Bridgwater 8-10-13	W Worthington	84	20-1
12	04-1000	FINALE SEPT (CD) (Mrs J Gollings) H Fleming 6-10-10	—	95	14-1
14	403000	ENSIGNS KIT (CD) (A Brisbourne) A Brisbourne 11-10-10	M Brisbourne	94	12-1
15	00-0004	SAUNSON BOY (B,D) (T Hillback) J P Smith 6-10-8	G Landau (4)	86	12-1
16	010-030	BLUE SPARKIE (R Fry) J Old 5-10-8	C Llewellyn (7)	93	14-1
18	PP-0043	SHIPWRIGHT (D) (R Bamsey) H O'Neill 5-10-6	—	98	F4-1
19	40P0-00	WHAT WILL I WEAR (D) (Mrs P Spicer) R Spicer 8-10-1	S Keightley	● 99	14-1
20	03/0P03	HAZEL NUT (M Banks) M Banks 6-10-0	D Skyrme (7)	98	16-1
21	30FF00	SUNNY REEF (K Dowdeswell) J Cosgrave 6-10-0	T Pinfield (7)	87	20-1

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
F Winter	11	32	34.4	M Perrett	9	32	28.1
Mrs J Pitman	15	59	25.4	M Dwyer	4	18	22.2
N Henderson	10	44	22.7	B de Haan	5	30	16.7
J Edwards	5	24	20.8	R Rowe	4	32	12.5
S Mellor	5	26	19.2				
J Jenkins	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				

Only qualifiers

Modest Scudamore keeps his title ambitions in perspective

By John Dorman

As the jumping season reaches the halfway point, Peter Scudamore goes to Cheltenham today with only a narrow lead over Mark Dwyer, his nearest challenger. The champion jockey is more than happy with his progress, his sole reservation being that he would like to have ridden more winners for Fred Winter.

"I've had a marvellous run on horses from outside the yard, particularly for Martin Pipe," Scudamore said. "But I'm hoping for a bit more luck on Mr Winter's horses in the New Year. The stable is still not really firing."

Scudamore is not yet thinking about the championship itself. "I've cracked the 60-winner mark and my next target is 70. It's all a matter of good fortune and staying sound so we'll see how things are going in April."

He speaks from painful experience. In April, 1982, he had ridden 120 winners and was apparently cruising to his first title when he broke his arm in a fall at Southwell. Only the generosity of John Francome, who caught him but deliberately did not pass him, allowed him to share the title. But, by then, Francome had already been champion three times; Dwyer is younger and hungrier. Scudamore agrees: "I'll certainly have a job to keep Mark out."

In Scudamore's opinion, there is certainly no shortage of good jockeys around at the moment and he quotes Hywel Davies, Richard Dunwoody and Steve Smith Eccles as shining examples. "I was just lucky enough to get a bit of a run on the others at the start of the season," Scudamore said. "Simon Sherwood, for example, had a disappointing start."

Scudamore also rates Graham Bradley as one of the best of the current crop. "I think Brad is riding exceptionally well this season but he can't do the lower weights, otherwise he would be a serious challenger."

He also feels that there are several jockeys who simply don't get the right opportunities. "Seamus O'Neill, for example. He's always ridden well but doesn't get the chances he deserves," Scudamore said.

With his retainer from Fred Winter, and several other trainers and owners vying for his services, Scudamore often has the pick of the best horses. When Winter was without a runner in the King George, for example, the champion's services were snapped up by Nick Gaselee for Bolands Cross, on whom he finished an excellent third.

Just up from novice class, this young chaser greatly impressed Scudamore. "Bolands Cross ran very very well in the King George but I think he's even better than that. He will probably have two more runs now before going for the Gold Cup." The horse is currently quoted at 12-1 for Cheltenham.

Among Winter's horses, Scudamore is looking forward to riding Plundering in the four-mile chase today (although he believes West Tip will be hard to beat) and, later in the season, Bajan Sunshine.

"Bajan Sunshine will run at Leicester on New Year's Day but he's really a spring horse. I believe he'll become a decent chaser but he likes a bit of sun on his back. We also have some very good novices in the yard and I particularly like the look of Admirals All."

Of his outside rides, Scudamore was very impressed with Martin Pipe's High Knowl, on whom he won at Chepstow 11 days ago, and Peter Easterby's Nohalmdun. Although Floyd was upsides him when falling at the last at Kempton on Saturday, Scudamore had scarcely moved a muscle on Nohalmdun and believes he would have won anyway.

Results from yesterday's three meetings

Worcester

Going: heavy

12.45 (2m hdle) 1, MAUNDY BOY (M Bosley, 11-2); 2, True Spartan (C Price, 4-5 fav); 3, Only Trouble (Mr T Houlbrooke, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 12 Fort Aguada (6th), Danny's Luck (5th), 16 Kiwi Lad (4th), 20 My Purple Proze, 25 Saint Malo (pu), 33 Kilford, Stantas (pu), Villacana, 50 Best Thyme (pu), Finbarr (pu), Pampolly (pu), Highdale (pu). 15 ran. 4l, 2½l, 25l, 5l, 10l. Mrs I McKie at Twyford. Tote: £7.60; £2.80, £1.10, £3.20. DF: £6.40. CSF: £10.02.

1.15 (2m ch) 1, HIZ (D Browne, 5-2 fav); 2, Broad Beam (J Bryan, 7-2); 3, Fere Love (P Warner, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Maitredee (f), 15-2 Adare (f), 20 Chelsea Island (4th), The Welder (5th), 50 Oakland Jason (pu). 8 ran. 4l, 10l, 8l, 30l. I Dudgeon at Warminster. Tote: £3.00; £1.10, £1.80, £2.30. DF: £4.70. CSF: £10.48.

1.45 (2m 2f hdle) 1, SITTING BULL (H Davies, 5-2); 2, Poets Day (J Duggan, 11-8 fav); 3, Track Marshall (D Williams, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Raleigh Gazelle (5th), 9 Its A Laugh (pu), 12 La Charmit (4th), 33 Warrior Uncle (6th), 50 Charlie Burton. 8 ran. 2½l, 20l, 15l, 3l, 4l. J Jenkins at Epsom. Tote: £3.70; £1.30, £1.60, £2.10. DF: £2.50. CSF: £6.59. No bid.

2.15 (3m ch) 1, BROWN TRIX (P Scudamore, 11-10 fav); 2, Dingbat (G Mernagh, 3-1); 3, Bashful Lad (R Dunwoody, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Meister (ur), 16 Brown's Star (f). 5 ran. 8l, dist. F Winter at Lambourn. Tote: £1.60; £1.10, £1.40. DF: £4.20. CSF: £4.40.

2.45 (2m 4f ch) 1, BELLIVER PRINCE (G Landau, 7-2 jt-fav); 2, Llanpadrig (M Bowlby, 7-2 jt-fav); 3, Roving Glen (G Mernagh, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 jt-fav New Song (4th), 13-2 Polish (f), 12 General Breyfax (6th), 16 Exclusive Fox (pu), 33 Asmid (5th), 100 Brasseys Copse (pu). 9 ran. NR: Gold Tycoon. 15l, 20l, 15l, 6l, 4l. J Baker at Tiverton. Tote: £4.40; £1.50, £1.30, £2.50. DF: £5.80. CSF: £13.85. Tricast: £79.75.

3.15 (2m hdle) 1, CHRISTIAN SCHAD (A Webb, 7-2); 2, Royal Cracker (R Crank, 2-1 fav); 3, Billy's Bridge (P Scudamore, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 11-4 The Mississippian (4th), 6 Pride Hill (pu), 50 Remedy The Malady (pu), Space Kate (pu). 7 ran. 7l, 20l, 15l. O O'Neill at Cheltenham. Tote: £6.00; £3.00, £1.70. DF: £6.20. CSF: £10.68.

Placepot: £2.30.

Plumpton

Going: heavy

1.0 (2m hdle) 1, SITAR THEME (Dale McKeown, 4-1); 2, Canuck Clown (G Moore, 3-1 fav); 3, Ickworth (S Smith Eccles, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Lady Eurolink (ur), 9-2 Flower Of Tintern, 20 Formidable Lady (4th), New Barnet (5th), Nice Business, 25 High Covert (pu), 33 Another Bing, Duke Of Arun, Duke Of Cambridge, Farapour (pu), Natyapour (6th), Orravan, Unit Tent, Up Town Boy. 17 ran. NR: Evesham Butchers. 5l, 10l, 3l, 4l, 10l. R Akehurst at Epsom. Tote: £6.40; £2.60, £1.30, £1.40. DF: £11.80. CSF: £15.00.

1.30 (2m hdle) 1, MANHATTAN BOY (Penny Ffitch-Heyes, 10-1); 2, Thames Trader (Mr S Rothwell, 15-8 fav); 3, Miss Me Not (R Rowell, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Solent Breeze (pu), 6 Tame Duchess (5th), 8 Lingfield Lady (pu), 9 Fic Vic (4th), 12 Mr McGregor, 14 Rhode Island Red (6th), 16 Cherrywood Rose (f), 20 Kalimpong. 11 ran. 6l, 3l, 15l, dist, hd. J Ffitch-Heyes at Lewes. Tote: £5.20; £2.10, £1.50, £3.40. DF: £10.70. CSF: £29.77. Tricast: £259.90. Winner bought in for 1,600gns.

2.0 (3m 1f ch) 1, DELATOR (R Stronge, 5-1); 2, Mount Feddane (C Mann, 14-1); 3, Dargal (Mr M Armytage, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Mr Candy (f), 9-2 Answer To Prayer (ref to race), 13-2 Doubleuagain (4th), 10 Saunders (6th), Mighty Disaster (pu), 50 Playfields (5th). 9 ran. 8l, 2½l, 1½l, 2½l, 25l. I Wardle at Wells. Tote: £4.20; £1.60, £2.60, £1.80. DF: £98.80. CSF: £58.94. Tricast: £538.84. Derycan (7-2) withdrawn, not under orders — rule 4 applies to all bets at time of withdrawal, deduction 20p in pound.

2.30 (2m hdle) 1, TUMBA (R Goldstein, 7-1); 2, Prince Satire (Dale McKeown, 4-9 fav); 3, Priok (M Harrington, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Baytino (5th), 20 Miss Venezuela (pu), Stadia Publicity (pu), Willow Gorge (4th), 33 Capistrano Climax (f). 8 ran. NR: Helvick Bay. 8l, 12l, 5l, 10l. R Curtis at Carshalton. Tote: £5.70; £1.50, £1.10, £1.90. DF: £3.40. CSF: £10.47.

3.0 (2m ch) 1, MANSTON MARAUDER (Penny Ffitch-Heyes, 4-9 fav); 2, Uncle Dai (Candy Moore, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Hanover Prince (ur), 5 Weaverslake (ref). 4 ran. dist. P R Hedger at Chichester. Tote: £1.20. DF: £3.60. CSF: £5.36.

3.30 (2m hdle) 1, TOPSOIL (A Carroll, 11-4 fav); 2, Derwent King (W Humphreys, 12-1); 3, Courageous Charger (M Perrett, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Windbreaker (5th), 5 Miss Never Hyde, 7 Celtic Honey, Tin Boy (4th), 8 War And Peace, 12 Hall's Prince, 33 Barrera Lad (6th), Fire Chieftain (pu), 50 Hiya Judge. 12 ran. NR: Godfather's Gift. 2½l, 8l, 8l, 3l, 6l. D J Wintle at Westbury-on-Severn. Tote: £3.80; £1.40, £4.40, £2.70. DF: £25.70. CSF: £35.70. Tricast: £650.87.

Placepot: £22.10

Taunton

Going: soft

12.45 (2m 1f hdle) 1, FOREMAST (S McNeill, 12-1); 2, Sheer Nectar (G Bradley, 6-4 fav); 3, Tinas Lad (P Barton, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 2 Olympic Eagle, 5 Matelot Royal, 20 Gay Griselle (6th), Our Tilly (5th), 33 Royal Barks, 40 Fine Blue (4th), Jullown Lad (pu), Jane Craig (su), Mini Maid, Upham Queen. 13 ran. NR: Bold Fury. 12l, 10l, 12l, 4l, 1L. D Tucker at Cullompton. Tote: £16.20; £3.40, £1.20, £3.00. DF: £11.20. CSF: £29.58.

1.15 (2m 1f hdle) 1, CHATTERSPARK (B Powell, 11-2); 2, Pamela Heaney (C Cox, 12-1); 3, Boulevard Roy (P Murphy, 3-1 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Golden Azalia (4th), 6 Repetitive (6th), 7 Sirtaki Dancer (pu), 9 Watendlath, 14 Robrob, 33 K O Island (5th), Russki (pu), Parkes Special, Solent Flyer. 12 ran. ¾l, 3l, ½l, 25l, sh hd. R Hodges at Somerton. Tote: £5.50; £2.10, £3.60, £1.70. DF: £64.90. CSF: £61.37. Winner bought in for 2,000gns.

1.45 (3m 1f ch) 1, THE THIRSTY FARMER (P Murphy, 10-1); 2, Dangerous Game (K Mooney, 2-1 fav); 3, Air Space (B Powell, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 3 Our White Hart (f), 9 Rodger Dell (f), 10 Bryma (pu), 14 Sea Countess (f), Stand Firm (f), 20 Huntworth (pu), Way Under (pu), 25 Kilcrea Lad (pu), 50 Flying Tenderfoot (4th), Impound (f), Master Brabinger (pu). 14 ran. 4l, 30l, 1½l. R Holder at Bristol. Tote: £8.00; £1.80, £2.00, £3.50. DF: £11.90. CSF: £28.84.

2.15 (2m 1f ch) 1, ATATAHO (S Morshead, 7-2); 2, Doubleton (B Powell, 9-4); 3, St William (Peter Hobbs, 13-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 6 Gringo (pu), 16 Mood Music (5th), 40 Misty Fantan (4th), 66 Hope Gap (pu), Scottish Air (pu). 8 ran. 3l, dist, 20l, 1½l. J Roberts at Taunton. Tote: £5.60; £2.00, £1.50, £1.10. DF: £5.60. CSF: £11.47.

2.45 (2m 1f hdle) 1, LORD MURPHY (P Murphy, 5-2 fav); 2, Redgrave Girl (S Earle, 8-1); 3, Cervante Sovereign (S Morshead, 50-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Morning Line, Careen (4th), 13-2 The Thunderer, 16 Meziara, Winert, 25 Coral Harbour (6th), 33 Dick's Revenge (pu), Top Gold (5th), 50 Iowa, Keep Sauntering. 13 ran. NR: Baton Match. ¾l, 2½l, ¾l, 1½l, hd. R Holder at Bristol. Tote: £2.90; £1.70, £1.80, £9.80. DF: £15.40. CSF: £20.78. Tricast: £698.07.

3.15 (2m 1f hdle) 1, FRENCH FLUTTER (R Campbell, Evens fav); 2, Sandron (S Moore, 12-1); 3, Autumn Flutter (P Barton, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Trelawney (pu), 6 Quicken The Bid, 14 Tinsel Rose, 20 Sir Brett (5th), Sousaga (4th), 33 Archie's Niece, 66 Murha (6th), Simple Endeavour, Belle Of Budapest, Roberts Flower (pu), Tais Toss. 14 ran. 15l, ¾l, 25l, 20l, 4l. Claude Charlet at Newmarket. Tote: £2.10; £1.20, £3.50, £2.90. DF: £9.30. CSF: £13.69.

Placepot: £18.05

Christian may close

Simon Christian, the Lambourn trainer, will decide today whether to temporarily close his stables because of a virus. Christian, disappointed with the running of Oregon Trail at Leopardstown on Monday and the poor performance of Olympic Eagle at Taunton yesterday, said: "Oregon Trail finished very distressed. I've had a few horses coughing and I'll evaluate the situation after Greenbank Park has run at Cheltenham tomorrow."

Charlet's first win

Newmarket-based Frenchman Claude Charlet saddled his first winner since taking out a trainer's licence 2½ months ago when French Flutter won at Taunton yesterday.

Charlet, who trains in Frank Durr's old yard, has 16 horses, only three of them jumpers.

Carlisle abandoned

Tomorrow's race meeting at Carlisle was called off after a midday inspection yesterday because the course is waterlogged. It is the fourth meeting to be lost this season.

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ATHLETICS

Memories of heroes at reborn Welsh road race

By Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

The athletics New Year starts with the quick and the dead. The quick are the professional sprinters at Edinburgh's Meadowbank Stadium, contesting the 100 metres handicap, formerly the famous Powderhall Sprint, which began 117 years ago and is now sponsored by Carlsberg.

The dead are in Llanwonno churchyard in Mid-Glamorgan, where the legendary Guto Nythbran is buried. Guto, whose tombstone alleges the unlikely feat of winning a 12-mile race "7 minutes inside the hour" (after which he dropped dead) was the inspiration for the *Nos Galan* New Year's Eve race, through the streets of nearby Mountain Ash. It began in 1958, was discontinued in 1973 and is being revived this evening by the original organizer, Bernard Baldwin.

Through the sixties and early seventies, *Nos Galan*, which is New Year's Night in Welsh, was one of the great folk events in British athletics, the precursor of the fun runs, with hundreds of competitors, including many of the current distance stars, contesting the four-mile event.

Tony Simmons holds the course record of 17min 41sec, which he set in 1971, and the Luton-based Welshman will be competing again tonight, although the likely winner is Hugh Jones.

The police claimed undue traffic disruption in 1973 and refused further permission for the event, although Baldwin claims that the underlying reason was the removal of local council power from Mountain Ash to Aberdare.

Baldwin ackowledged yesterday the help in reviving the event he has received in the last two years from Dave Bedford, the former 10,000 metres world record holder, who was also a *Nos Galan* winner, as well as one of the famous mystery runners.

From 1964, an athletics celebrity would carry a torch the *four miles down the* hillside from Guto's grave to start the midnight race. That tradition is also to be revived with a reunion of mystery runners, including the 1958 winner, Stan Eldon, Lynn Davies, Derek Ibbotson, John Merriman, the sprinters, Ron Jones and Berwyn Price, and John Whetton, who was seven times the winner of the *Nos Galan* mile, which used to be held earlier in the day.

The laws at the time did not allow women and men to race together, but changes in recent years will permit Kirsty Wade, double Commonwealth gold medal winner for Wales, Christine Benning and Julia Gates to line up tonight among the 600 entrants. But the most famous Welsh athlete of the present, Steve Jones, will not be running in this event or in Saturday's Mallusk cross-country event

Jones slipped on ice while out training two days ago and is nursing a muscle pull. But several of Jones's middle and long-distance contemporaries in British athletics will be racing in different parts of the world. Tim Hutchings, Dave Lewis, a former winner, and Steve Binns will run in the Madrid San Silvestre road race and Steve Ovett will compete in a road mile in Phoenix, Arizona, against John Walker, Steve Scott and Ray Flynn.

CRICKET

Stevenson considers Northants

By Martin Searby

Graham Stevenson, aged 31, the former Yorkshire and England fast bowler, has been offered a one-year contract by Northamptonshire some three months after he was released following a dismal two seasons in which he bowled only 102 first-class overs for his native county.

Stevenson, who played in two Test matches and four limited over internationals between 1979 and 1981, has been *plagued by a groin injury but a* medical has satisfied Northants about his fitness.

Stevenson took 486 wickets at 28.82 each in a career dating back to 1973, during which he and Geoffrey Boycott entered the record books in a stand of *149 for the last wicket against* Warwickshire at Edgbaston. Stevenson's unbeaten 115 was the best score made by a man batting as a genuine number 11.

He is also considering an approach from Surrey and was yesterday mulling over the offers *at his Ackworth home, where he* is confined to bed with flu. While Stevenson contemplates a move south, Neil Mallender, the Northants fast bowler, is considering an offer from Yorkshire after refusing a new contract.

Six years *younger than* Stevenson, Mallender was born near York and has taken nearly 350 wickets since he made his first appearance in 1980 and many considered him an England prospect last season.

Boycott is to lose two more of his supporters on the Yorkshire committee. Peter Charles, of Rotherham, is standing down after six years, as is Roy Ickringill, the man who toppled the former cricket chairman, Ronnie Burnet, in his Harrogate seat in the pro-Boycott landslide three years ago.

Hundreds for Indian batsmen

Nagpur (Reuter) — Mohinder Amarnath and Dilip Vengsarkar scored hundreds as India built a commanding lead against Sri Lanka on the third day of the second Test here yesterday.

At the close India had made 324 for three, a first innings lead *of 120, with Vengsarkar 115 not* out. Amarnath, playing in his sixtieth Test, passed 4,000 runs in Test matches at the point when he had made 61, and reached his hundred in 354 minutes.

Amarnath, who missed the drawn first Test at Kanpur because of an injury, had driven fluently in hitting 14 boundaries in his innings of 131.

Despite the loss of nearly five hours of play on Sunday because of rain and bad light, India are now strongly placed to win the match and go 1-0 up in the three-match series.

Victory would also avenge their heavy defeat a week ago in the first of the one-day internationals in Kanpur.

India started out again at 54 for one. Only two wickets fell during the day. Just before lunch, Raman Lamba drove de Silva to cover, and in the final session Amarnath fell to a catch by Mahanama at mid-on off the slow bowling of Roshan Jurangpathy.

Amarnath, who batted cautiously during his stand of 126 with Lamba, became more adventurous when Vengsarkar came to join him, and the pair had added 173 for the third wicket before their partnership foundered shortly before the close.

For the remainder of the day, Vengsarkar batted with Sunil Gavaskar who, having recovered from a fever, had dropped down the order.

MOTOR RALLYING

Peugeot are favourites to win Paris to Dakar

Versailles (AFP) — More than 500 vehicles will set off tomorrow from the Place D'Armes here in front of the magnificent Chateau de Versailles at the *start of the ninth Paris to Dakar* rally.

Three weeks and 12,297 kilometres later the World's longest rally will end on a tropical beach at the West African coastal capital after crossing the most inhospitable terrain Africa can offer.

The rally is a big test for drivers but it is better known as a jet-set event made famous by celebrities who failed to finish, among them, Princess Caroline of Monaco, her brother, Prince Albert, and Mark Thatcher.

But *tragedy struck* last year when six lives were lost: the Japanese motorcyclist, Yasuo Yaneko, was killed on the first stage and the Paris-Dakar creator, Thierry Sabine, was among five killed in a helicopter crash in a sand storm in Mali.

No celebrities are involved this year but the event has gained credibility as a worthy challenge with the entry for the first time of Peugeot, the world rally champions. The Peugeot 205 T16 drivers, Ari Vatanen, of Finland, Shekhar Mehta, of Kenya, and Andrea Zanussi, of Italy, are considered overwhelming favourites. Range Rover, Mitsubishi and Toyota lead a strong challenge.

Some 300 cars, 150 motocycles and 60 trucks will start the race. In motorcycling, Honda, last year's winners, are said to have invested more than $1.2 million (about £810,000) in a new machine for Cyril Neveu, four times a winner, and BMW and Yamaha will be their principal rivals.

Tomorrow's first stage ends in Barcelona, where the teams will embark for Algiers. The African leg will open on Saturday. Guided by map and compass on 8,294 kilometres of special *stages, the competitors cross* Algeria, Niger, Mali, Mauritania and Senegal before the finish in Dakar on *January 22*.

Everton plan tour

*Everton have planned a two-*week tour of Australia and New Zealand, starting from May 24. They will play one game in Melbourne, and three in New Zealand, including a fixture to celebrate the centenary of the Auckland FA.

YACHTING: NEW ZEALANDERS PROVE THEY STILL HAVE IRON IN THEIR SOULS



Rock 'n' roll: USA travelling faster than ever before — but still not fast enough to defeat Stars and Stripes yesterday

French demoralized by New Zealand

From Barry Pickthall, Fremantle

Dennis Conner's Stars and Stripes and New Zealand's "Plastic-Fantastic", skippered by the irrepressible Chris Dickson, both moved three up in their best-of-seven semi-finals yesterday. However, with the winds increasing to 25 knots over the America's Cup course off Fremantle, French Kiss came close to halting the winning ways of New Zealand IV.

The French-New Zealand match proved a real nail-biter with Dickson and his crew throwing away a commanding lead when their spinnaker pole end fitting refused to unlock as they came to douse the chute at the end of the first running leg.

As the crew struggled to pull *down the sail, French Kiss* moved up on their transom, then tucked away towards the favoured lefthand side of the course.

By now, the winds had increased from 18 to 25 knots and the New Zealanders found themselves struggling with a second problem — a mainsail too powerful for the conditions. "We got a weather update 10 minutes before the gun and changed the sail but ended up struggling in the 25 knot winds. The mainsail was flogging all the way up that second beat," Dickson said ruefully when admitting that their call for a sail change had been wrong.

The "Kiwi-machine", which until yesterday had won all but one of its 37 matches, looked to be on the ropes for the first time since Conner drew blood 27 races ago. Rounding the second weather mark 23 seconds adrift, the New Zealanders failed to make up any ground on the ensuing reach and dropped a further second behind the French on the next leg.

Upwind again, they reduced the French Kiss advantage to within three boat lengths, but then lost all they had gained when the spinnaker pole end fitting, now destined for the garbage can, failed to open once more when the crew came to pull down the spinnaker.

Their cursing was matched by the glee on the faces of the French who thought this race was all but wrapped up as they began the final beat to the finish. But as Dickson pointed out later, "The opera's not over until the fat lady sings."

Proving to the doubters that they still have iron in their souls as well as boat speed, the New Zealanders then hit back in the most aggressive fashion, putting in 32 gut-wrenching tacks that ground the French down.

Throwing their yacht around every 50 seconds or so, Dickson and his crew slowly reeled in their rivals who found themselves increasingly hard-pressed to match both the New Zealand yacht's fast tacking ability or the *stamina of her grinders sweating* blood for a win on their wynches.

The New Zealand pace was remorseless, nibbling away at the French lead with every tack, reducing the gap first to three boat lengths, then two before the distance between bow and transom could eventually be measured in feet.

Finally, just a quarter of a mile from glory, the French lost their honour when skipper, Marc Pajot, attempted a "slam dunk" tack timed to finally throttle New Zealand's wind. It failed, and as the white bows of the "Plastic-Fantastic" edged ahead, the New Zealanders performed a perfect luff, driving up into French Kiss before Pajot, whose duty it was to keep clear, realized what had happened.

"It was quite a bang," Dickson said. "Yes, we got the Kiwi kiss," Pajot admitted when agreeing that he had been in the wrong. The French protested about the contact but were later disqualified.

From that point on the race was won. The demoralized French were forced to tack away leaving Dickson and his crew to chalk up yet another win.

By comparison, the Conner-*Tom Blackaller match was a* tepid affair, with the petrol-blue hull of Stars and Stripes marching on in remorseless fashion ahead of the twin-ruddered USA II to win by a 2min 23sec margin.

"We're going faster than ever before," a philosophical, but not downhearted, Blackaller reported after falling 3-0 behind the San Diego yacht. "We're going faster than we beat them in the third round-robin series, but Dennis has somehow found a magical two-tenths of a knot extra upwind. The way we see it, it's as if he has taken on an extra 2,000 pounds of lead somewhere."

The committee must have thought so too, for Stars and Stripes and New Zealand IV both faced spot flotation checks the moment they docked, but were later cleared by the scrutineers.

Out on the defenders course Kevin Parry's two Kookaburras provided a water spectacular of their own, but like professional wrestling, their matches always seem fixed in favour of the good guys, this time Peter Gilmour and his crew on Kookaburra II performing a knockout "big daddy splash" over Iain *Murray's Kookaburra III on the* last leg to the finish.

Alan Bond's Australia IV, known to ringsiders here as the "Mean Green Fighting Machine", moved to the top of the points table ahead of Task Force 10 champion, Kookaburra III, after beating Steak 'n' Kidney by 14sec yesterday.

However, with nine protests still outstanding from earlier races on Sunday and Monday, last night's points table remains meaningless until the international jury work through this backlog of litigation.

DEFENDER TRIALS SEMI-FINALS

Kookaburra II bt Kookaburra III, 50sec; Australia IV bt Steak 'n' Kidney, 14sec.

DEFENDER STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Pts
Australia IV	25	9	65
Kookaburra III	27	7	59
Kookaburra II	20	14	52
Steak 'n' Kidney	4	30	18

● Points amended after successful protest by Steak 'n' Kidney against Kookaburra II after Saturday's race.

CHALLENGER SEMI-FINALS

New Zealand bt French Kiss, disq; Stars and Stripes bt USA, 2-23

CHALLENGER STANDINGS

(Best of seven races)
New Zealand leads French Kiss, 3-0
Stars and Stripes leads USA, 3-0

● Today and tomorrow will be lay days for both the challengers and defenders.

Ex-Tension triumphs

Hobart (Reuter) — The Sydney sloop, Ex-Tension, won the Sydney to Hobart race on handicap yesterday after an agonizing five-hour wait while the only boat capable of overtaking it sailed up the Derwent towards the finishing line.

In the end, impeccable, needing to finish at five minutes past five yesterday evening to win on corrected time, missed out by 11 minutes. Southern Cross was third on handicap, giving the first three places in the blue-*water classic to Australian* yachts.

Bob Bell's Bermuda-based Condor took line honours on Monday, with Rod Muir's 18-year-old wooden maxi, Windward Passage, second.

Condor completed the race in two days, 23hr 26min 25sec, outside the record of two days 14hr 36min 56sec set by the American maxi, Kialoa, in 1975, *but only the third boat to finish* inside three days. The overnight favourite for handicap honours, the Sydney boat, Another Concubine, lost any chance of taking the race after encountering very light winds.

Ex-Tension, the new Laurie Davidson production 36-footer, crossed the finish line soon after noon to replace Paladin, the handicap leader up to that point.

At last report 59 yachts had finished the 630-mile race, which started from Sydney Harbour last Friday, leaving 47 still racing and 17 retired.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Topliss avoids ban in successful appeal

By Keith Macklin

David Topliss, the veteran stand-off half back who has been in the game 19 years, yesterday appealed successfully to avoid a ban at a disciplinary committee meeting at Leeds.

Topliss was sent off for the first time in a long and successful career playing for Oldham against Halifax, and after considering the evidence the committee ruled that the send-*ing-off was sufficient* punishment.

The Halifax player, Ben Beevers, also escaped a ban, and he too was given a ruling that his sending-off was sufficient.

Much less fortunate was the Widnes second row forward, Richard Eyres, who received a six-match ban for illegal use of the elbow in an A team game against Hull Kingston Rovers.

● Oldham, who have already been hit badly by injuries, have received bad news concerning their French Moroccan full back or winger, Hussein M'Barki. Following his injury against Salford on Boxing Day X-rays and tests have revealed a depressed fracture of the cheek-bone, which means that M'Barki faces an absence of at least six weeks.

He is one of four first team players to miss the New Year's day game at Leeds, while a fifth, the Australian centre, Gary Warnecke, is doubtful.

The Oldham manager, Frank Myler, has shown interest in the Widnes forward, Fred Whitfield, who is on the transfer *list at £25,000. Whitefield, aged* 27, has not played this season because of his commitments at work and has asked Oldham to wait until the New Year so he can think things over.

SKI-JUMPING

Narrow win for Opaas

Oberstdorf (Reuter) — Vegard Opaas, of Norway, claimed victory by the narrowest possible margin in a World Cup 90-metre competition yesterday, the first event in the annual Four Hills series.

Opaas, in fourth place after the first jump, produced the best distance in the second round of 106.5 metres to beat Thomas Klauser, of West Germany, by just 0.1 points. Klauser finished on 195.6 points with Andreas Felder, of Austria, third on 191.6.

Opaas, a winner at Lake Placid in America 17 days ago, moved back to the top of the World Cup standings with 89 points — 11 clear of previous leader Ernst Vettori, of Austria, who finished seventh yesterday.

Two Austrian youngsters, Harald Rodlauer and Oliver Strohmaier, had the day's longest leaps of 109 and 107 metres respectively in the first round, leaving them in first and third place and poised for a major surprise.

But they failed to repeat the performance on the second jump. Strohmaier fell back to eighth and Rodlauer, who could only manage 98 metres, finished ninth.

Eddie Edwards, aged 22, a plasterer, became the first Briton to compete in a World Cup event but his opening leap of 65 metres was the shortest of all the 110 competitors.

Edwards failed to qualify for the second jump but had the satisfaction of recording the best leap ever by a Briton on a snow hill, beating the previous mark of 61 metres set 55 years ago by Guy Nixon.

PLACINGS: 1, V Opaas (Nor), 195.7pts (jumps of 106.5 and 106.5 metres); 2, T Klauser (WG), 195.6 (105/104); 3, A Felder (Austria), 191.6 (103/103.5); 4, G Balanche (Switz), 191.1 (104/105); 5, U Findelsen (EG), 189.5 (103/104.5); 6, M Debelak (Yug), 188.6 (105.5/106); 7, E Vettori (Austria), 188.5 (101/104); 8, O Strohmaier (Austria), 187.7 (107/101); 9, H Rodlauer (Austria), 185.8 (109/98); 10, J Puikkonen (Fin), 184.9 (103/103); 11, T Pedersen (Nor), 184.8 (105/102); 12, J Bokloev (Swe), 182.4 (105.5/103); 13, H Stamlen (Nor), 181.6 (101/103); 14, O Gunnar Fidjstoel (Nor), 180.6 (102/102); 15, M Nykanen (Fin), 180.4 (100.5/103).

WORLD CUP STANDINGS: 1, Opaas 89pts; 2, Vettori 78; 3, P Ulaga (Yugo), 60; 4, Nykanen 55; 5, Klauser 54; 6, J Weissflog (EG), 53.

Second division players, first division citizens

DAVID MILLER gives his selection of the best sports books of 1986

The year has provided one or two worthwhile books reprinted, or rather re-edited with updated introductions, which usefully remind us of other eras when life was, if not better, certainly different.

Eamonn Dunphy recalls what was, in his estimation as a player of that time, the golden age of football in the 1960s: not, however, the first division of Charlton, Law, Best, Mackay, Gilzean, Moore and Peters, but *the second division with* Millwall at Cold Blow Lane.

***Only A Game?* (Viking, £8.95) is dedicated by Dunphy to "the good pro". By that he means the good sportsman, which in turn means the good citizen. The good pro is a trier; he accepts *responsibility: both his and,* when the going gets tough, yours. Almost by definition, he is not the star of the team, yet also almost by definition he is the backbone which gives sport its most fundamental values.**

Equity will never be achieved

There are good pros in the real world outside sport, Dunphy says, but that is not necessarily a prerequisite to worldly success. Now a journalist in Dublin, he writes:

"For the most part, the values espoused by the good pro will get you into trouble out here . . . In the real world the thing to be is smart . . . Almost a decade after leaving, I understand better than ever that what distinguishes sport from the real world is the degree to which the sportsman has to have values and has to adhere to them . . .

"In the darkening world where the shadows of violence, political expediency, materialism and junk culture grow ever larger, sport, as it is practised by its good pros, remains a bastion of decency, a place where virtue is rewarded and cheating exposed."

There is, Dunphy says, no true club ethos in football. There never was. "In the past, you could be a great player and never become rich: now you can get rich without being a great player. Equity has never be achieved, and never will be now."

Dunphy's diary of fun, pain and disillusionment with Millwall is simultaneously affectionate and bitter, conditioned by a world in which people are used.

***He touches a sensitive part of* my own memories, for Pegasus, the amateur club which finally died in the 1960s, also had that beckoning romance of the organ grinder's tune, that promise of good times which so often ends in frustration in team sports, because of the failure of people administering it. Dunphy's book is essentially about people.**

C. B. Fry was an eccentric genius who travelled the globe applying, but for the most part failing to use fully, his intellect and versatility. He was a remarkable man. "The approach to Hollywood by way of the South Sea Islands is as good as any other," he writes bizarrely.

The Pavilion Library has reissued *Life Worth Living*, which gives a fascinating view of that period at the turn of the century in which sport was dominated by the amateur.

Fry competed in cricket, football and athletics for Oxford, missing a rugby blue only through injury, set a world long jump record which survived 21 years, played for Southampton in the 1902 FA Cup Final and for England's full international team and scored 30,000 runs, including 96 centuries. His era at Sussex with Ranji was one of the glories of Edwardian cricket.

He recounts the deeds of such legendary performers as MacLaren, Barnes and Spofforth, yet it is his tales of meetings with Hitler and Gandhi, of Fleet Street and of South Africa, that entertain, even if an often naive view partially explains his lack of real achievement in mature life. Alan Ross, in a new preface, *probably accurately reflects that* Fry was more wearing to listen to than to read.

For 30 years Brian Glanville, passionate since he was a boy about football in general and Arsenal in particular, has organized a fringe park team *mainly, his friends would say, so* that he is assured of selection which otherwise he might be denied. With *Joy of Football* (Hodder & Staughton, £12.95), his revised anthology 20 years on from *The Footballer's Companion*, Glanville is once *again able to align himself as* author with such as Camus, Nabokov, Priestly and Pinter.

His self-selection as stylish wordsmith, as opposed to agricultural full back, brooks no criticism. Both his well observed fictional writing on football and his able reporting have consistently helped fill the gap in British sporting literature which is not there in the more contemplative games of cricket, golf and tennis.

His reputation as the most *internationally known English* football writer of his generation has been dulled only by an obsession with affairs Italian, though he has repeatedly and bravely attacked their corruption of referees.

Enduring sports reference book

In his introduction, Glanville suggests that, for literate credibility, football does not need to adopt a defensive stance, though that, of course, is precisely what he is doing. His anthology will, however, be one of the most enduring of literate sporting reference books, embracing some 30 observant *writers.*

***Unfriendly Games, Boycotted and Broke* (Mainstream, £4.95), by Derek Bateman and Derek Douglas, is an account of a miserable, ineptly prepared and organized Commonwealth Games fortnight in Edinburgh.**

The authors, who are reporters for the Edinburgh edition of the *Glasgow Herald*, have laid bare the chapter of disasters precipitated by a vain, incompetent and often ignorant organizing committee, into which farce stepped, for reasons of publicity more than altruism, Robert Maxwell. Neither Peter Heatly, the chairman, nor Mr Maxwell retain a shred of credibility out of Edinburgh's embarrassing Games.

A great horseman retires after 25 years at the top in three-day eventing

Meade's roll call of champions

"He is probably the best competitive rider we've ever seen" was the summing-up of Major Derek Allhusen, the president of the British Horse Society following Richard Meade's announcement that he is retiring from three-day eventing.

Allhusen, whose own horse Laurieston, carried Meade to his greatest triumph, at the 1972 Munich Olympics where they won two gold medals, was referring not just to Meade's horsemanship but to his attitude. Determination and the ability to keep a cool head under pressure have made him an invaluable team member since his first appearance in 1964.

His list of successes during his 25 years in the sport is an eloquent testimony to his skill: three Olympic gold medals, three team European gold medals, two World championship team gold medals, two Badminton wins and one Burghley success. He has competed in four Olympic games and would have equalled the record of Australia's Bill Roycroft by making it five, had it not been for the boycott of the 1980 Moscow Olympics.

"I have had a wonderful innings," Meade said, "and with the retirement of Kilcashel it seems appropriate to call it a day." The Irish-bred Kilcashel, now 16, brought Meade his last major international success when they won the team gold medal at the 1982 world championships.

It was with a horse called Barberry that Meade first attracted the selectors' attention. Having won Burghley in 1964 they were picked for the Tokyo Olympics, where they led after the cross-country, eventually finishing eighth. Barberry retains a special place in Meade's affections, not just because he carried him to the top but because he was the only world class horse Meade actually owned.

For the rest of his successful career he relied on the generosity of owners. Most notable among these was Brigadier Michael Gordon-Watson who lent Meade, at very short notice, his great horse Cornishman V for the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico.

It was a measure of Meade's talent that, having never competed on the horse before Mexico, he finished with the team gold medal and was fourth individually. After all the top class horses he has ridden Meade is quick to refer to Cornishman as the greatest event horse of all times.

The Poacher, owned by the late Martin Whiteley gave Meade his first Badminton win in 1970 and, the following year, the second of his three European team gold medals. In 1972 came the moment of Meade's greatest



Meade: seeking new horizons

triumph. He was offered the ride on the Allhusen's home-bred Laurieston and, after finishing second at Badminton, went on to win the double gold medal in Munich. Meade remains the only British rider to have won an individual Olympic gold medal.

Single-mindedness was the key to Meade's success. At the time he started eventing the British relied on their superior cross-country skills to stay ahead in the sport. Meade, seeing the need for all-round prowess, went to Germany to train with the dressage rider Ottokar Bohmann, in Munich, for *three months.*

From the start of his career he aimed for the top — thinking in four year cycles as he worked towards each Olympics. His determination to succeed and his love of the big occasion sometimes compensated for a less than top class horse.

His feat in coming fourth individually on Jacob Jones — "Never a natural event horse" — at Montreal in 1976 was as great a tribute to Meade's horsemanship as the double gold four years before. Speculator, on whom he gained his second Badminton win in 1982, was another difficult horse who, in Meade's determined hands, rose to the occasion.

His will to succeed may well have stemmed from the difficult ponies given him as a child. Brought up on his parents Connemara stud near Chepstow he remembers his first pony as being "Welsh and uncontrollable — it took me two years to learn how to get the better of him."

His childhood hero was the Olympic showjumper Col Sir Harry Llewellyn, a neighbour, and it was on one of Llewellyn's ponies that Meade, representing the Monmouthshire Pony Club won the cup for the best boy at the Pony Club championships in 1954. It was to be the first of many prizes.

Although the showjumpers Harvey Smith and David Broome are still dominating their sport after a similar length of time, a 25-year innings is long by most sporting standards.

Meade's span has witnessed enormous changes in eventing, characterized *mainly by the increase in* sponsorship (he was sponsored by George Wimpey PLC for six years) and in the number of participants in horse trials. There were just over 1,000 competitors in 1963 compared with more than 20,000 last year. But to Meade, the spirit of the sport — which he likened to that of the steeplechasing fraternity — has remained the same.

Although he will continue to do some training from his farmhouse near Bath and will continue his involvement with the development of the sport he has already set his sights on new horizons. A director of Chepstow Racecourse and of Equestrian Management Consultants he is now looking for new business opportunities.

He says it will be difficult to replace the excitement of three-day eventing *where he has always had a goal in mind.* But he loves a challenge and one senses that his competitive spirit will not be idle for long.

Jenny MacArthur

RUGBY UNION

Not even the sniff of a scoring chance for insecure Nottingham

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

Coventry	13
Nottingham	0

Another season goes by and still Nottingham must wait for their first win at Coundon Road since the war. They never even came as close yesterday as their draw of three years ago, going down by a goal, a try and a penalty goal to only their second defeat of the season — the other was also against a Midlands club, Leicester.

Not only did they lose, they hardly created the sniff of a scoring chance in a game in which Coventry's forwards held complete sway. Nottingham's dismay might have been more complete had it not been for Thornley, whose magnificent covering and support of the ball carrier was one of the few positive features of the visitors on a cold and blustery day.

Playing into the wind Coventry were 10-0 up at half-time. With the breeze behind them they gave their young backs more possession and there was a glimpse of bright promise from James and Kennell during the best sustained passage of play. James made a delightful break and when the Coventry forwards won the ruck, Kennell's show of the ball all but put him clear only for a despairing hand to catch his ankle.

But it was their forwards who paved the way for both Coventry tries. Gulliver, with the enthusiastic support of Travers, was king of the lineout, which became a virtual Coventry preserve in the second half. It was Suckling's catch and drive at the back of a lineout 15 metres out which gave Savage room to dart to his right and feed Travers, for Saunders to go skipping over in the corner for the first try Nottingham have conceded since October, a run of 11 games.

Savage, who has played the last three games in Coventry's problem position of scrum half but whose place may be under threat if Thomas, the former club captain, comes through his second XV game successfully at the weekend, had a useful match. He kept the ball in front of his forwards and tested Nottingham's defence close to the set pieces.

The second try was a familiar sight to the Coundon Road faithful. Travers was nearly propelled over the line from a lineout and, at the subsequent scrum, Coventry wheeled and Robbins planted the ball down, Millerchip judging his conversion perfectly into the wind.

After the interval Coventry lost Wood, their full back, with an injured leg, but not before he moved the only penalty attempt of the game. Wood looks the sort of aesthete who should never be found near a nasty rough game like rugby but his catching and kicking were first class, in unfortunate contrast with the uncertainties of Nelson-Williams, a converted wing. Insecurity, indeed, with due respect for Hartley's final gestures of defiance by way of a couple of slashing breaks, was Nottingham's downfall throughout.

SCORERS: Coventry: Tries: Saunders, Robbins. Conversion: Millerchip. Penalty: Wood.

COVENTRY: M Wood (rep: C Sibley); E Saunders, K Jarvis, K James, D Kennell; C Millerchip, A Savage; L Johnson (capt), A Farrington, S Wilkes, P Suckling, A Gulliver, K Dodd, R Travers, G Robbins.

NOTTINGHAM: R Nelson-Williams; M Davison, M Northard, G Hartley, K Wyles; S Hodgkinson, P Morgan; M Freer, J Collinson, A Shepherd, P Cook, D Hindmarsh, D Bowyer, P Thornley, S Hughes (capt).

Referee: I Bullerwell (East Midlands).

On the crest of a wave



Winters in Britain do not provide ideal climatic conditions for water skiing — hence the chilly look about Brett Hodgkins (above) as he prepares for another training session on the water at Kirtons Farm near Reading (Roy Moor writes). Hodgkins's thoughts, however, are comforted by knowing that in the weeks ahead his workouts will be taking place in the sunshine of Florida.

The Water Ski Federation think so highly of his potential that not only have they promoted him to the senior international squad but are sending him to Leesburg in Florida for special tuition from Mike Hazelwood, Britain's world record holder who runs a training school there.

Since Hodgkins, aged 17, from Bellingay, Lincoln, won the world junior (16-18) slalom championship earlier in the year, many officials have been comparing him to Hazelwood. Like Hazelwood, for so long Britain's number one, he has the daring and excellent mentality for big competitions which comes through in jumps and slalom. He holds the British and European junior championship records and is also the unofficial world record holder for the junior jump with 50.4 metres.

While in Florida Hodgkins will also come under the watchful eye of Andy Mapple, another of Britain's world medal winners, who coaches during the winter in Leesburg.

Following the death of his father last year, financial difficulties arose for Hodgkins to continue in competitive water skiing but an announcement is expected shortly which should end any worries in this respect.

(Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

FOOTBALL

Young goalkeeper latest casualty at Old Trafford

Manchester United have suffered another double injury blow to add to manager Alex Ferguson's mounting list of casualties. Their teenage goalkeeper Gary Walsh and Welsh international Clayton Blackmore were both hurt after playing only five minutes of a training match yesterday. Walsh twisted a knee and is out of the New Year's Day match against Newcastle at Old Trafford. Blackmore ,who damaged an ankle was also included in the squad. Ferguson said: "There seems no end to the list of injuries. Walsh and Blackmore had only been on the field a few minutes. I stopped the training session because I didn't want to risk any more injuries."

Walsh said: "I just slipped and when I got up I could not straighten my leg. I just hope it is not too serious." His absence means a return for Chris Turner, dropped four matches ago in favour of the youngster.

Neal Cooper, signed by Graham Turner last July as part of his £1 million re-building plan at Villa Park is at last ready for his debut, delayed for so long because of a groin injury.

Turner has long since departed, his summer spending spree having failed to revive Aston Villa's fortunes. Now his successor, Billy McNeill, is looking to the former Aberdeen man to help prevent a repetition of last season' struggle against relegation.

Soon after his £350,000 move Cooper was struggling against injury. Twice he has broken down. But three reserve games and a youth team match in the space of a fortnight have convinced McNeill the injury has cleared up.

His problem now is whether to bring in Cooper in for the Thursday's trip to Everton, or wait for Saturday's home game with Nottingham Forest. Cooper was a member of the Aberdeen team which dominated the Scottish domestic scene as well as winning the European Cup Winners' Cup in 1983. Cooper is well remembered by McNeill from his own days in Scottish football.

Despite his team's poor goals against record — 47 in 21 games, including five clean sheets — McNeill will probably use Cooper in midfield. If it is an omen Villa are looking for, Cooper has never finished a season without a medal of some description. But Villa have only the FA Cup left to aim at and they have not won that for 30 years.

The Luton midfield player Ricky Hill, who had hoped to returnat Coventry, has had his hopes dashed. He declared himself fit on Monday, after being out for six weeks with a knee ligament injury, but the problem flared up again during training yesterday.

The Brighton forward, Gary Rowell, will be out of second division football for up to six weeks with a broken toe, an injury received in last Saturday's draw with Reading. The Brighton manager, Alan Mullery, said: "This is a blow to us because he has been playing well over the last six matches." The Brighton captain, Danny Wilson, who has not played a full match for a month, will return to first team duty against Millwall on Thursday, his 27th birthday.

Plymouth became even shorter of forwards yesterday when John Clayton entered hospital for treatment for a sciatic nerve ailment. The Scot will be out of action at least until next week, joining fellow marksmen Steve Cooper and Kevin Summerfield on the casualty list.

Clayton's absence leaves Plymouth without a recognised partner for Tommy Tynan in tomorrow's match at Birmingham, the problems of whose manager John Bond, have increased with the decision of Leicester City to recall Steve Lynex, who has been on loan at St Andrew's.

Although leading goalscorer Wayne Clarke returns from suspension for the game, Bond is now hoping to find another defenderto take on loan.

Third division leaders Middlesbrough are confident their leading scorer Archie Stephens will return at York. The former Bristol Rovers forward, who has scored 13 goals this season, should recover from a foot injury that forced him to miss last Saturday's match at Mansfield.

Sunderland have had their two games this week called off by the Football League. A chest virus has left them with only seven senior players. "They are falling like ninepins," the Sunderland manager, Lawrie McMenemy, said.

Beefing up Millar's Irish pack

By George Ace

There will be an abundance of Irish prime beef on display at the Arms Park, Cardiff, on January 17 when Ireland meet Wales in the opening match of the five nations championship. The pack will average around 15st 5lb per man, varying from Nigel Carr's 13st 7lb at open side wing forward to Jim Glennon's near 18st at lock. And with that ring-wise former British Lion and Irish front row man, Syd Millar, supervising the preparation of the forwards this term the debacle of Twickenham last season when the Irish pack were shunted all over the Park is extremely unlikely to be repeated.

Millar spent most of the first session on the Sunday the team was announced, sorting out the lineout. This weekend he will concentrate on the scrum. "We must ensure that we get good set ball if we are to get the best out of our back row who can be relied upon to obtain ruck and maul ball from the second phase," Millar said. "There is no denying the physical strength of the pack that will play in Cardiff; what I will concentrate on is our technique and mental attitude to the importance of the scrum in present day rugby."

But with all this avoirdupois in the air, one man is determined to shed the pounds he put on from last season: Willie Anderson. The big Dungannon and Ulster lock forward had geared his season to playing in the second row where an extra few pounds never goes amiss.

But a hand injury ruled out Michael Gibson and Brian Spillane did not come up to expectations in the trial after an injury-riddled start to the season with the result Anderson was called upon to fill the No. 8 spot as he did against Scotland in the final match of last season. "I intend losing as close to 10lbs as I can before the match," he said. "I was 16st 3lb when wed prior to the trial. That is too much to carry around from the middle of the back row."

Two seasons ago Ireland took the field against Wales with a side that contained not one player who had experienced the thrill of a victory over Wales on their own patch. That was a big psychological advantage to the Welsh. Next month, 12 of the men who fashioned that glorious 21-9 win will again be in action with no inhibitions, despite last season's defeat in Dublin, about their ability to again humble the Red Dragons.

Goodwin gives up trial place for club

John Goodwin, aged 23, will not be attending the England trial on Saturday as a replacement. Instead, the Moseley wing will be playing for his club at Cardiff in his "new" position of centre.

Goodwin almost won an England schools cap as a centre, but soon after joining Moseley six years ago was switched to the wing and won caps for England Under-23 and England B. He is reluctant to discuss his reasons for withdrawing from the trial but admits that he has slipped down the order among candidates for the English wings. "The selectors know all about me and I don't believe I am anywhere near the team. I am just handy to have around, a sorts of dogsbody, although I am not bitter about that," he said.

Goodwin is concentrating more on club rugby and appreciating his new central role with Moseley. "I am enjoying being more involved in the game. I had forgotten what I knew about playing centre, he said."

Moseley have recruited another centre, Chris Allen, a Loughborough University student who has played for the UAU and for Gloucestershire in this season's county championship. Allen made a promising debut against Ebbw Vale and could be just the man to set up Goodwin for some of his powerful breaks.

Scottish back row trial of strength

By Ian McLanchlan

There will be a few players among the Probables for Scotland's national trial at Murrayfield on Saturday not just relieved to see their names on the team sheet but also pleased to note the calibre of the opposition. Not the least among these will be John Rutherford, who instead of facing the herd-running Wyllie will have him as his inside centre. Given the number of specialist centres available and the lack of out-half cover, this would appear to be a strange selectorial move.

In the Probables' pack, which virtually picks itself, Jeffrey and Campbell have some ground to make up, though Campbell is a workhorse who provides so much good possession.

The Possibles side looks to be one which will not give the Blues too stern a test, as there are better players sitting on the bench. This applies particularly in the case of the wings and locks, none of whom have exactly set the heather on fire during the recent McEwan's Inter-District championship and one wonders why Munro (Ayr) and Campbell-Lamerton (London Scottish) have failed even to merit reserve status. Or indeed what White, who has played little rugby this season has done to deserve a trial place?

On the positive side the rejuvenated Kennedy and the promising young Tait will provide a good test in the centre. Oliver, at scrum half, is a player for the near future. The area which will provide most interest, however, will be the back row where Finlay Calder and Jeffrey will have to be at their very best in order to contain the other Calder twin, Jim, and the voracious Turnbull.

The game will be refereed by Brian Anderson (Currie), who is one of Scotland's world cup officials. There were three players not considered because of injury, Johnston, Baird and Cram.

PROBABLES: A G Hastings (Watsonians); M D F Duncan (West of Scotland), D S Wyllie (Stewart's/Melville FP), S Hastings (Watsonians), I Tukalo (Selkirk); J Y Rutherford (Selkirk), R J Laidlaw (Jedforest); D M B Sole (Bath), C T Deans (Hawick, capt), I G Milne (Heriot's FP), A J Campbell (Hawick), I A M Paxton (Selkirk), J Jeffrey (Kelso), J R Beattie (Glasgow Academicals), F Calder (Stewart's/Melville FP)

POSSIBLES: P W Dods (Gala); S W McAslan (Heriot's FP), A E Kennedy (Watsonians), A V Tait (Kelso), T Peterson-Brown (London Scottish); A D Ker (Kelso), G T Oliver (Hawick), A K Brewster (Stewart's/Melville FP), G J Callander (Kelso, capt), T G Waite (Kelso), H Parker (Kilmarnock), A J Tomes (Hawick), J Calder (Stewart's/Melville FP), D B White (Gala), D Turnbull (Hawick)

RESERVES: P Hogarth (Hawick), G M McGuinness (West of Scotland), A J Macklin (London Scottish), K S Milne (Heriot's FP), J F Richardson (Edinburgh Academicals), N Rowan (Boroughmuir), C G MacGregor (Boroughmuir), A MacRae (Edinburgh Academicals), K T Murray (Hawick), K Robertson (Melrose), J Scott, S Scott (both Stewart's/Melville FP).

French defeat forces changes

There are four changes in the Scottish schools team to meet the Welsh schools at Murrayfield on Monday. Simmers, Burnett, Bathgate and Hogg are brought into the side after the comprehensive 37-3 defeat by the French schools earlier this month.

TEAM: G J Aitchison (Merchiston Castle); C R H Newton (Dundee HS), D M K Brown (Earlston HS), T R McCreath (Loretto, captain), I W Culbertson (Kelso HS); C T Simmers (Glasgow Academy), N S Burnett (Kelvinside Academy); G T McKee (Hutchisons GS), G L Peterson (Dollar Academy), G M Kenhard (Harris Academy), P Walton (Merchiston Castle), D D Bathgate (George Heriot's), L M Mair (Merchiston Castle), C D Hogg (Earlston HS), J C Law (Glenalmond). Replacements: D H Campbell (Knox Academy), S W Paul (George Heriot's), C H Brown (Dunblane HS), A D Nicol (Dundee HS), T J Sanderson (Kelvinside Academy), A W H Dow (Kelvinside Academy).

Lancashire's powerful pack in command

By Michael Stevenson

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Cheshire's 18 Group match against Lancashire was transferred at the last moment from the Sale pitch, which was waterlogged, to a nearby junior ground which was in remarkably good condition. A further problem obtruded when it was realized shortly before the kick-off that there was no ball.

When one was provided an enthralling match resulted in victory for Lancashire by two goals, four tries and a penalty to a goal and both sides but especially Lancashire are to be congratulated for some exhilarating handling in the diabolical conditions.

Seven of the successful Lancashire side that toured Australia last summer were playing and a single point defeat last week was put firmly into perspective with the return to the Lancashire pack of four forwards from the powerful Rossall side, who had not been available for the Cumbria match.

Both scrum halves, Mahon for Lancashire and Ratcliffe, played splendidly as did Fielden and Rignall in the centre for the winners. Their pacey wing, Kutkas, also impressed.

Lancashire opened with an excellent penalty from Dolan and went further ahead through a try by Smith from ruck near the line set up by a side-stepping run by Egan; forward pressure again played dividens when Mahon scored from a ruck, following a break by Rignall and the interval scoreline (17-0) resulted from a try by Fielden after deft work by Dolan, Rignall and Dolan converted.

The second-half was played in driving rain and Cheshire pressed for much of the time. It was a rare counter attack following a long kick by Egan that allowed Mahon the opportunity to score his second try, again following a ruck; a neat chip by Tushingham made a try for Cheshire by Ratcliffe and Pritchard converted.

The closing stages for Lancashire again established command. A lovely handling move ended in a try near the posts by Rignall for Dolan to convert and the talented Fielden broke crisply to put Kutkas clear for Lancashire's final score. On this form it will take a very useful side to beat Lancashire.

SCORERS: Lancashire 18 Group: Tries: A Smith, Mahon (2), Fielden, Rignall, Kutkas. Penalty: Dolan Conversions: Dolan (2).
Cheshire 18 Group: Try: Ratcliffe. Conversion: Pritchard.

CHESHIRE 18 GROUP: W Bianchi (Ampleforth); T Armstrong (Mossdands), G Pritchard (Sandbach), A Yates (Wirral), D Compton (Poynton); R Tushingham and P Ratcliffe (Wirral); S Tudbure (Wirral), D Smith (Whitby), R Hancock (Sandbach), M McCall (Wirral), T Wild (Rossall), I Range (Wirral), R Poole-Jones (King's School), T Edge (William Hulme).

LANCASHIRE 18 GROUP: A Dolan (Lancaster RGS); S Gill (Liverpool College), M Fielden (Arnold), J Rignall (Cowley), A Kutkas (Littleborough); E Egan and C Mahon (Stonyhurst); P Smith, S Seed and A Smith (Rossall), C Turner (Lancaster RGS), M Merrick (Rossall), S Beeley (Manchester GS), N Sinclair and D Lee (Kirkham GS).

Referee: A Knight (Manchester Society).

Davies test

Huw Davies, the England full back, continues his comeback by playing for Wasps' second XV on Saturday. Davies has twice appeared for the third team since undergoing surgery on a shoulder injury received playing for England last season. John Gasson, a club spokesman, said yesterday: "His return to first team duty will depend on how well he plays. He will need to prove he is worth his place ahead of Nick Stringer before being selected."

Gruendel out

Hamburg (Reuter) — The West German league leaders, Hamburg SV, will be without the services of their international forward, Heinz Gruendel, for at least three months, the club doctor said yesterday. Gruendel, aged 29, had an operation yesterday on a knee he injured last weekend during an indoor tournament.

SNOW REPORTS

	Depth (cm) L	U	Piste	Conditions Off Piste	Runs to resort	Weather (5pm)	°C
ANDORRA							
AUSTRIA							
St Anton	100	290	good	varied	good	fair	0
Excellent skiing							
FRANCE							
Megève	90	130	good	heavy	good	fine	+2
Good skiing above 1500 metres							
Morzine	90	220	good	fair	good	fine	0
Snow crusty first thing							
SWITZERLAND							
Davos	80	160	good	powder	good	sun	+1
Excellent skiing							
Lenzerheide	110	140	good	powder	good	cloud	-2
Really light deep powder							
Mürren	100	130	good	heavy	good	sun	0
Schilthorn now open							

AUSTRIA

Depth (cm)	Min	Mx
Bd Kitzbühel	0	40
Brand	80	190
Hintrstoder	80	160
Innsbruck/I	20	190
Ischgl	80	145
Kitzbühel	90	100
Lech	135	190
Mayrhofen	50	95
Neustift	20	30
Niederau	50	100
Obergurgl	60	90
Saalbach	100	160
St Anton	110	290
Seefeld	80	120
Sölden	30	80
Stil	100	140
Zell am See	80	190

● Information from the Austrian National Tourist Office.

SCOTLAND

Cairngorms: upper runs, runs complete, new snow on a firm base; middle runs, runs complete but narrow, new snow on a firm base; lower slopes, ample nursery areas, new snow on a firm base; vertical runs, 1600ft; hill roads, icy; main roads, clear; snow level, 2200ft. Lecht: upper runs, some runs complete, new snow on a firm base; middle runs, runs complete, new snow on a firm base; lower slopes, ample nursery areas, new snow on a firm base; vertical runs, 700ft; hill roads, moderate snow, drifting; main roads, moderate snow, drifting; snow level, 2000ft. Glenshee: upper runs, some runs complete, new snow on a firm base; middle runs, some runs complete, new snow on a firm base; lower slopes, some runs complete, new snow on a firm base; vertical runs, 800ft; hill roads, slight snow; main roads, slight snow; snow level, 1800ft.

Glencoe (weekends only): upper runs, some runs complete, new snow on a hard base; lower slopes, some runs complete, new snow on a hard base; vertical runs, 1300ft; hill roads, clear; main roads, clear; snow level, 1800ft.

FOR THE RECORD

BASKETBALL

UNITED STATES: National Association (NBA): Washington Bullets 125, Golden State Warriors 105; Cleveland Cavaliers 107, Atlanta Hawks 106; New Jersey Nets 122, Milwaukee Bucks 117; Utah Jazz 109, San Antonio Spurs 101; Boston Celtics 119, Sacramento Kings 102.

NORDIC SKIING

OBERSTDORF, West Germany: 15km cross-country: Leading placings: 1, H Kempf (Switz) 45.05.3 minutes; 2, A Lesnoi (USSR) 46.03.8; 3, J Kimlko (Cz) 46.03.6; 4, G Chervyankov (USSR) 47.45.6; 5, K Sulzenbacher (Austria) 47.13.4; 6, J Ylipulli (Fin) 46.21.2; 7, H Schwarz (WG) 49.47.3; 8, V Savin (USSR) 45.51.8; 9, U Dotzauer (EG) 46.41.6; 10, D Kramer (WG) 47.48.1; 11, H Weinbuch (WG) 47.40.3; 12, S Lamonsen (Fin) 46.27.9; 13, J Parviainen (Fin) 49.05.9; 14, A Dundukov (USSR) 46.14.8; 15, A Glanzmann (Switz) 45.02.3. World Cup standings: 1, H Kempf (Switz) 35 points; 2, A Levandi (USSR) 36; 3, A Order-Loekiden (Nor) 25; 4, E Andersen (Nor) 20; 5, S Chervyakov (USSR) 17; 6, K Sulzenbacher (Austria) 17; 7, V Savin (USSR) 17; 8, J Kimlko (Cz) 15; 9, J Parviainen (Fin) 15; 10, J Ylipulli (Fin) 13; 11, A Czar (Austria) 11; 12, H Schwarz (WG) 9; 13, B Bredesen (Nor) 8; 14, J Schaad (Switz) 7; U Dotzauer (EG)7.

SQUASH

Bank of Scotland Scottish Junior Open championships: Edinburgh: Final: Under 19: Boys: C Keith (SSRC) bt G Sword (Forthill) 9-1, 9-2, 9-2. Girls: S Mache (Surrey) bt L Wyllie (SSRC) 9-7, 9-0, 9-0. Under 16: Boys: C Chan (Mall) bt T Schoene (WG) 9-3, 9-6, 10-8. Girls: H Mache (Surrey) bt S Schoene (WG) 9-8, 9-6, 9-2, 9-7. Under 14: Boys: P Nicol (Garioch) bt M Heath (Oban) 5-9, 9-4, 9-5, 9-3. Girls: S Schoene (WG) bt E Donaldson (Lancashire) 9-1, 9-0, 9-1

ICE HOCKEY

World Junior championships: Czechoslovakia: (Al Trencin) Czechoslovakia 5, USSR 3.

TENNIS

ADELAIDE: South Australia men's open championships (Australian unless stated): Second round: W Masur bt K Jones (US) 6-4, 6-2; M Woodforde bt B Shultz (US) 6-4, 5-7, 6-2; N Odizor (Nigeria) bt P Carter 2-6, 6-4, 6-3; M Angel (US) bt B Dorsett 6-2, 2-6, 7-6; B Derlin (NZ) bt S Barr 6-3, 6-4; D Golgie (US) bt G Bloom (Isr) 7-6, 6-4; J Carlsson (Swe) bt D Cahill 6-7, 7-6; J Fitzgerald bt E Edwards (SA) 6-4, 6-4; R Krishnan (India) bt M Kretzmann 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

QUEEN'S CLUB, London: Prudential-British junior covered court championships: Boy's first rounds: Beyge singles: second round: D Coull (Essex), bt J Harper (Avon), 6-3, 6-4; S Aft (Devon), bt L Margarop (Herts), 6-1, 6-2; D Kirk (Lincs), bt M Cox (Herts), 6-3, 6-2; M Patchey (Essex), bt K Burt (Dorset), 6-2, 6-3; D Sapsford (Surrey), bt D Harris (Essex), 6-3, 6-1; N Russell (Dorset), bt N Green (Yorks), 6-4, 6-4; G Handraon (Yorks), bt R Lowther (Middx), 3-6, 6-1, 6-3; N Peashley (Surrey), bt D Reed (S Wales), 6-2, 6-2; C Beecher (Kent), bt G Reayer (Berks), 6-1, 6-3; J Hunter (Surrey), bt M Long (Essex), 6-3, 7-6; N Mansell (Middx), bt M Watt (West of Scotland), 6-0, 6-0; C Wilkinson (Hants and I.O.W.), bt G Engleman (Middx), 0-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Girls singles second round: L Smith (Leics), bt J Harding (Leics), 6-4, 4-6 6-4; M Nall (Oxfordshire), bt S Hank (Surrey), 6-0, 6-0; A Nagel (Lancs), bt S Wardle (Derbys), 6-2, 6-2; A Tate (Sussex), bt C Hilgy (Warwicks), 7-6, 6-0; S Jenkins (Berks), bt V Hearth (Herts), 7-6, 7-6; A Simpkin (Leics), bt S Eve (Berks), 6-1, 7-6; A Hill (Devon), bt N Cornforth (Sussex), 6-1, 6-0 S Loosemore (South Wales), bt B Griffiths (Suffolk), 6-1, 6-0; S Armitage (Yorks), bt K Warner (Essex), 6-0, 6-2; A Tate (Sussex), bt C Hiley (Warwicks), 7-5, 6-0; V Humphreys-Davies (Clwyds), bt S Gudsel (Middx), 6-4, 6-1; S Godman (Surrey), bt M Loughton (Yorks), 7-6, 6-3; S Smith (Essex), bt G Rick (Essex), 6-0, 6-3, S Timms (Essex), bt R Sharp (Cornwall), 6-2, 6-0; A Fleming (Leics), bt A Gregory (Notts), 7-6, 3-6, 6-1; N Entract (Dorset), bt L Eve (Berks), 6-4, 6-3.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Cross Keys v Glamorgan Wanderers, cancelled. Coventry 13, Nottingham 0.

GOLF

Professional resigns from his post

By a Correspondent

The Cornish club which boasts the first Jack Nicklaus-designed course in Britain is to part company with its professional. St Mellion announced yesterday that John Yeo, the former England amateur international who has been with the club since it opened 11 years ago, would relinquish his position at the end of next month.

Neither Yeo nor Martin and Hermon Bond, the co-owners of the club, were available for comment yesterday, but it is believed that the move will pave the way for the arrival of a player of national repute before the official opening of the championship course next summer.

The Bond brothers have spent £2 million on a course which Nicklaus believes will provide the best access for spectators of any in the world. A statement released yesterday by the South West region of the PGA said that Yeo, a Cornishman, would leave his position.

"The former England international, PGA team member and captain fo the PGA West region wishes to start a new career outside the game of golf," the statement read. Yeo, aged 39, represented Great Britain and Ireland in 1981.

SKIING

Zibler leaves over Svet row

Belgrade (AFP) — The coach to the Yugoslav women's alpine team, Janez Zibler, has quit in the wake of a row involving Mateja Svet.

Svet, aged 18, who won two giant slalom races last season and was seventh in the overall World Cup standings, and her team colleague, Katra Zajc, walked out on World Cup racing in the Italian resort of Courmayeur a week before Christmas demanding Zibler's departure.

Zibler called for disciplinary measures to be taken against the two skiers but, with Svet threatening to quit skiing only a month before the world championships in Switzerland, the Yugoslav team manager, Toni Vogrinec, preferred to seek a compromise.

The girls, who had said they were tired by the heavy programme, were given a holiday. Joze Drobnic replaces Zibler.

Osvold still keen to join Forest

Brian Clough last night poured cold water on speculation that the proposed transfer of Kjetil Osvold, the Norwegian international midfield player, to Nottingham Forest was in danger of falling through. "As far as I am concerned there are no problems," the Forest manager said.

"We always knew we would have to wait a while for a work permit but we have not been informed of any hold ups," Clough added. "I expect Osvold to be here very early in the New Year and hopefully he will be playing for us before the end of January."

Osvold, who is training with an amateur club in Norway, said: "It is frustrating waiting for all the loose ends to be tied up but I am sure it will all be worthwhile in the end."

There are no restrictions on the number of foreign players English clubs can sign, although Football League rules state they can play only two together in one side. Forest already have the Dutch internationals, Segers and Metgod, on their books.

Norwich scoff at Bruce talk

Ken Brown, the Norwich City manager, yesterday dismissed as "a load of rubbish" reports that his central defender and captain, Steve Bruce, could be on the move to Celtic. Brown, who sold his England goalkeeper, Chris Woods, to Rangers in the close season was responding to comments from David Hay, the Scottish premier division club's manager, that he would interested in signing Bruce.

Celtic watched the player in action at Manchester United on Saturday but Bruce said: "It's obviously flattering, if a little unsettling, to be linked with a club like Celtic, but it would have to be a hell of an offer to make me leave, especially the way the club is going at the moment."

Hart's new beat

Birmingham City have signed the Sheffield Wednesday defender, Paul Hart, in an attempt to improve their chances of promotion from the second division. The former Nottingham Forest and Leeds United centre-half, who signed for "a small fee", will make his first appearance for Birmingham against Plymouth Argyle at St Andrews tomorrow.

Rogers moves

Andy Rogers, the Reading winger who almost died in a match at Swansea City last season after swallowing his tongue, completed a £10,000 move to Southend United, the fourth division promotion challengers, yesterday.

Parlane back

Rochdale have signed Derek Parlane, the former Leeds United and Manchester City forward, on a non contract basis. Parlane has been playing in Belgium.

Saving on loan

Mark Kendall,the Newport County goalkeeper, has joined Wolverhampton Wanderers on a month's loan. He ended a run of 111 consecutive appearances when he was dropped for Newport's home game against Port Vale last Saturday.

Derby on their way to the top

By Dennis Shaw

Not since the days of Brian Clough's two First Division championships in four seasons in the early 1970s has such expectancy surrounded the affairs of Derby County.

Tomorrow's visit of Blackburn Rovers sees them challenging for the position of front-runners in the Second Division's most open promotion race in years.

The Baseball Ground is bound to be packed as County promise to repeat last season's achievement when, in escaping from Division Three, they timed their run-in to perfection.

Relieved of the pressures heaped up on the favourites Portsmouth, Plymouth, Leeds, Ipswich, Oldham and West Bromwich Albion, Derby have reached the half-way stage as the team all of them fear.

John Gregory, the former QPR, Brighton and Aston Villa midfield player, scorer of many important goals recently, says: "I was not altogether sure I had made the right move when I first came here from Loftus Road but now I know I am going straight back into the First Division."

County's arrival among the leaders has brought Gregory and several of his team colleagues into sharp focus.

The forward, Bobby Davison, has consistently rejected the chance of a transfer move into the First Division by a shorter route believing, like Gregory, that he will get there with Derby.

However, the player who is described locally as "the darling of the Peaks" is forward Phil Gee, aged 20, recruited from Derbyshire non-league side, Gresley Rovers, who is gathering new admirers at every match.

"He's the new Ian Rush," says manager, Arthur Cox, a man not known for superlative judgements. Cox took Kevin Keegan to Newcastle United, hauled them into Division One and then walked out when the Board consistently haggled over his new contract.

He then set about helping Derby away from the edge of bankruptcy.

That experience plus a record of 10 jobs in 30 years, after breaking his leg and ending his playing career at where Walsall when he was 18, combine to make Cox a seasoned pro.

"Gee is the kind of player who doesn't have to think which foot to use because he is equally good with each of them," added the County boss, an admirer of Clough.

Cox's view on Gee is backed by Davidson who has watched from even closer quarters. "This lad is a purler," he said. "He has plenty to learn yet but he is coming on at such a rate of knots that he is quite outstanding already."

To which Gee, a painter and decorator until only last year, replies "It sure beats putting paper on walls."

Cox is currently raising the pulse-rate at the Baseball Ground by urging his team to aim for promotion by the adventurous route.

● Derby are pulling down the wire fences at the Normanton End of the Baseball Ground as part of a new membership scheme which allows supporters into that section of the ground with a computerized key. The fences will come down for the home game with West Brom on February 21.

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...Derby on their way to the top

TELEVISION AND RADIO

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle



Jimmy Mulville and Muriel Gray: on ITV, 11.30pm

All the best — in words and pictures

CHOICE

● So what will be my abiding memories of television and radio in 1986 ? I mustn't pretend that they come rushing back in hordes. But there are certainly enough of them to fill these four columns — and still leave a dozen or so without honourable mention. First, the faces, the bodies and the voices: Michael Gambon's peeling visage, certainly, in Potter's **The Singing Detective**, a work that, in my view, was a size too big for its brilliant boots; David Threlfall's *chilling serpent's eye* in Mortimer's **Paradise Postponed**; Hazel O'Connor's formidable banners-on-the-barricades presence in **Fighting Back**; Wendy Hiller's elegant, new-found sturdiness in **All Passion Spent**; the resilient grin of Anneka Rice as she is asked to perform the impossible in **Treasure Hunt** (in my book, the year's most consistently entertaining programme); and the Conan Doylian *accuracy of Jeremy Bett's sleuth in* **The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes**, in which even the curve of the body was made to fit the Paget illustrations.

● And what of the year's programmes themselves? I recall, without effort, the bitter-sweetness and the underlying pain of Anthony Minghella's Channel 4 serial about a broken marriage, **What If It's Raining ?**; the excitement of seeing new windows being opened to let fresh light flood into a familiar room in Julia Cave's **Lawrence and Arabia** — and the same sort of thing happening with Percy Grainger in Barrie Gavin's **The Noble Savage**; the sensitive probing of Jonathan Miller as he examined the amnesic world of a disorientated musician in **Prisoner of Consciousness**; the teeth-grinding callousness of the four sportsmen who made such fools of themselves in that remarkable *40 Minutes* documentary **The Fishing Party**; the insane effort that went into the shooting of Herzog's film *Fitzcarraldo* as detailed in Les Blank's sweaty documentary **Burden of Dreams**; the deep humanity that informed the **Omnibus** profile of Alice Walker, who wrote *The Colour Purple*; the blind-alley questioning of candidates by a Civil Service selection panel in two **Forty Minutes** films that must have caused testy interdepartmental memos to drop into Whitehall in-trays like Christmas mail; the quiet, idiosyncratic charm of **Every Window Tells a Story**, in which stained-glass expert Malcolm Miller got people to pretend they were cathedrals; and BBC Wales's **No Place to Rest**, an exposure of the monstrous municipal insensitivity that led to coffins being stacked on top of each other in a Merthyr Tydfil cemetery, and skulls of the departed grinning at mourners.

● The 1986 radio memories I shall cherish include Sue Limb's outrageously funny take-offs featuring the Wordsworth set, **Wordsmiths at Gorsemere**; a rollicking production of Pinero's **Dandy Dick**; William Trevor's haunting evocation of his troubled homeland, **The News from Ireland**; and Isabel Aitken's English version of the Yugoslavian radio feature about Auschwitz, **Searching the Ashes**. I have still not completely recovered from it.

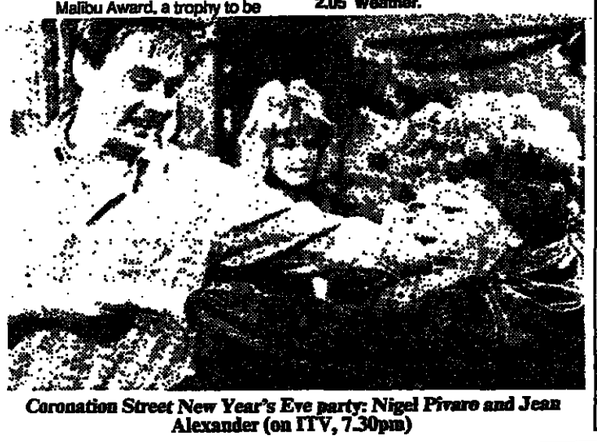
Peter Davalle



Martyn Stainbridge and Saumi Davis in a TV version of a Thomas Hardy story, Day after the Fair, on BBC1 at 9.50pm

BBC1

6.30 **Ceefax AM.** News headlines, weather, travel and sports bulletins.
7.00 **News**, regional news and weather *7.15 The Flintstones. (r)* 7.40 **The Pink Panther Show. (r)** 8.00 **News**, regional news and weather 8.15 *Misterjaw Supershark* 8.20 **The Monkees. (r)** 8.45 **Bottles** *(r)* 8.55 Regional news and weather.
9.00 News and weather 9.05 **Play Chess with William Hartston** *9.15 Dungeons and Dragons. (r)* 9.35 **Why Don't You..?** Diverting ideas for bored youngsters.
10.00 News and weather 10.05 **Neighbours. (r)** 10.25 **Children's BBC.** Phillip Schofield with programme details 10.30 **Play School.(r)** 10.50 **Henry's Cat. (r)**
10.55 **Five to Eleven.** Peter Barkworth with a thought for the day 11.00 **News** and weather 11.05 **Fame.** Doris, researching a new role, meets a very unhappy young lady. (r) 11.55 **Open Air.** Viewers comment on television programmes 12.55 Regional news and weather.
1.00 **One O'Clock News** with Philip Hayton. Weather 1.25 **Neighbours.** More dramas from Australian suburbia 1.45 **Bertha. (r)**
2.00 **Film: Young Winston** (1972) starring Simon Ward, Robert Shaw and Anne Bancroft. A biographical film about the *early years of Winston* Churchill, from his schooldays to his cavalry days in South Africa. Directed by Richard Attenborough.
4.20 **Film: The Camel Boy** (1984) An animated adventure film, set in Western Australia, about the friendship between a boy and a camel. Directed by Yoram Gross.
5.25 **World Superdance.** Gary Davies and Cherry Gillespie introduce the finalists in the Malibu Award, a trophy to be presented to the best couple or solo freestyle disco dancers.
6.00 **Six O'Clock News** with Nicholas Witchell. Weather 6.15 Regional news
6.25 **Every Second Counts.** Against the clock comedy quiz show, presented by Paul Daniels.
7.00 **The World's Strongest Man.** The Daf Trucks Trophy *introduced by Archie* Macpherson in Nice. Eight big men in tests of strength, *stamina*, and endurance. Representing Great Britain is the holder, Geoff Capes.
8.00 **Dallas.** Mandy discovers the identity of her elusive benefactor. (Ceefax)
8.50 News with Julia Somerville and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather.
9.00 **Dave Allen.** The comedian comments on the wry side of life that might have escaped our notice.
9.50 **Day After the Fair,** an adaptation of a Thomas Hardy story, On the Western Circuit, starring Hannah Gordon, Kenneth Haigh, Anna Massey, and Sammi Davis. Set in a country town in Victorian England, the story concerns a young maid who is seduced by a barrister. He writes the girl a letter but, being illiterate, she asks her employer, Edith, to help. Edith finds that writing the girl's love-letters and reading the ones she receives, is a way of escape from her own loveless marriage. (Ceefax)
11.25 *Wogan. See the New Year in* with Terry and his guests who include Frankie Howerd, Alan Coren, and Samantha Fox.
12.05 **Happy New Year.** A message from the Archbishop of Canterbury.
12.10 **Gigi** (1958) starring Leslie Caron, Louis Jourdan, and Maurice Chevalier. A romantic *musical about a young* Parisian girl, growing up in the 1890s. Directed by Vincente Minnelli.
2.05 **Weather.**



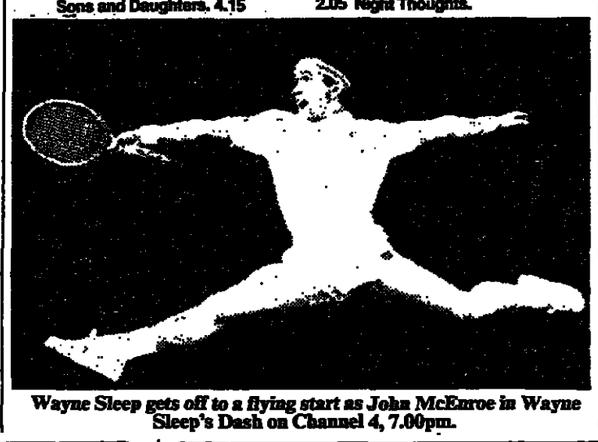
Coronation Street New Year's Eve party: Nigel Pivaro and Jean Alexander (on ITV, 7.30pm)

BBC 2

9.00 **Ceefax.**
10.40 **Harold Lloyd"** Excerpts from the comedian's, Girl Shy, made in 1924, and For Heaven's Sake, a 1926 production. *(r)*
11.05 **Running Wild.** A The World About Us documentary about a scheme being tried in the United States whereby delinquent youngsters are put to work with wild horses in the hope that each will tame the other. *(r)*
11.55 **Film: An American in Paris** (1951) starring Gene Kelly and Leslie Caron. A George and Ira Gershwin musical about Jerry, an American painter living in Paris, who falls for an orphan who is in love with somebody else. Directed by Vincente Minnelli. (Ceefax)
1.45 **The Story of Afanti.** A cartoon about a Chinese folk hero. (r)
2.15 **The Bolshoi in the Park.** Highlights of the Bolshoi ballet company's week-long London festival, held in a specially-built tent in Battersea Park. The programme includes Les Sylphides, starring the tour's prima ballerina, Natalya Bessmertnova, and Act 2 from Spartacus, with Irek Mukhamedov dancing the title role. (r)
4.35 **News**, regional news and weather.
4.45 **Film: Hobson's Choice"** (1953) starring Charles Laughton, John Mills, and Brenda de Banzie. Delightful comedy about a tyrannical bootmaker with three daughters who run his home and business. One day, one of the daughters marries and sets up a rival establishment with her new husband. Directed by David Lean.
6.30 **Ludwig van Beethoven.** Daniel Barenboim plays Beethoven's piano Sonata No 2 Opus 2 No 2.
7.00 **86 Whistle Test 87** presented by Mark Ellen, Andy Kershaw, David hepworth, and Ro Newton. Rock and pop music until 12.30 beginning with, at 7.05 **The Police Synchronicity Concert** from Atlanta, Georgia.
7.50 **Africa Tomorrow.** A documentary examining the problem of getting aid to the drought-stricken areas of Africa, interspersed with excerpts from the Live Aid concert.
8.35 **Rendez-Vous Houston.** Jean-Michel Jarre's extravaganza which was part of Houston's sesquicentennial celebrations. (r)
9.30 **Pick of the Year,** part one. Highlights from this year's Whistle Tests.
9.50 **The Prince's Trust Birthday Party** from Wembley Arena. (r)
11.35 **86 Into 87 With Kim Wilde,** live from the stage of The Goldiggers Club, Chippenham.
12.10 **Pick of the Year,** part two.
12.30 **Film: Ziggy Stardust and the Spider From Mars** (1982) The 1973 concert given by David Bowie at the Hammersmith Odeon, filmed by D.A.Pennebaker. Ends at 2.05.

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6.15 **TV-am: Good Morning Britain** presented by Jayne Irving and Richard Keys. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, *7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00;* sport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55; cartoon at *7.25;* pop music at 7.55; a *review of the year's* television highlights at 8.35; and Wacaday, presented by *Timmy* Mallett at 9.05.
9.25 **Thames news headlines** followed by **BMX Beat** *International. Gaz Top and* Andy Ruffell introduce the Cherry Coca Cola Freestyle Championships from the Sands Centre, Carlisle 9.50 **Disney.** A cartoon double-bill.
10.05 **Film: Oklahoma!** (1955) starring Gordon MacRae, Shirley Jones, and Rod Steiger. A Rodgers and *Hammerstein musical* concerning the fight to make Oklahoma a state of the Union, told around the story of feuding and romance between farming and cowboy families. With Gloria Grahame, Gene Nelson, and Eddie Albert. Directed by Fred Zinnemann.
12.30 **Wish You Were Here...?** A *repeat of Monday's* programme which saw Judith Chalmers on a coach trip to Babbacombe in Devon; and investigating a pilot scheme to develop more country pubs into holiday accommodation; Anneka Rice in the Seychelles; and Chris Kelly on the Italian Riviera.
1.00 **News at One with Leonard** Parkin 1.20 **Thames news.**
1.30 **Film: The Island at the Top of the World** (1973) starring Donald Sinden. Adventure yarn about a wealthy Englishman's expedition to the Arctic in search of his missing son. Directed by Robert Stevenson 3.15 **Disney.** Three cartoons featuring Micky and Minnie Mouse, Goofy, and Donald Duck.
3.40 **Thames news headlines** 3.45 **Sons and Daughters.** 4.15 **Skating '86.** Nick Owen presents highlights of the year's domestic and foreign competitions. The *commentators are Simon Reed* and Betty Callaway.
5.15 **Blockbusters.** General knowledge quiz game for teenagers, presented by Bob Holness.
5.45 **News** with Alastair Stewart 6.00 **Thames news.**
6.35 **Crossroads.**
7.00 *Just for Laughs.* A compilation of clips *from British comedy* films. Among the many appearing are Dirk Bogarde and Arthur Haynes.
7.30 **Coronation Street.** Jenny's and Martin's old year ends on an anxious note; while the young bloods see in the new at Hilda's party (Oracle)
8.00 **This is Your Life.** Eamonn *Andrews* presents a specially extended edition to end the year.
9.00 **Film: Monsignor** (1982) starring Christopher Reeve, Genevieve Bujold, Fernando Rey, and Jason Miller. Reeve swaps his cape for a cassock in this story of a young American priest with a sharp *financial brain who is* summond to the Vatican to help solve a nasty cash-flow problem. Once there, he becomes involved in the black market, the Mafia, and a rather attractive nun. Directed by Frank Perry. (Oracle) (continues after the news)
10.00 **News at Ten** with Carol *Barnes.*
10.15 **Film: Monsignor** continued.
11.30 **The New Year Show** presented by Muriel Gray and Jimmy Mulville. Scottish entertainment to see us to 1987, including Lloyd Cole and the Commotions, The Boys of the Lough, and Big Country.
12.30 **Film: Breakdance** (1984) starring Lucinda Dickey. A musical made at the tie when breakdancing was all the rage. Directed by Joel Silberg.
2.05 **Night Thoughts.**



Wayne Sleep gets off to a flying start as John McEnroe in Wayne Sleep's Dash on Channel 4, 7.00pm.

CHANNEL 4

12.00 **World Series Baseball.** Martin Tyler explains the subtleties of the game and introduces highlights from the climax of the sport's season.
2.00 **Rocking and Rolling With the Zasu Pitts Memorial Orchestra.** Music from a collection of artists including dancers, back-up vocalists, a horn section, multiple keyboards, two drummers and a percussionist.
4.40 **Film: The Munsters' Revenge** (1981) starring Fred Gwynne, Al Lewis, and Yvonne De Carlo. A made-for-television comedy thriller which finds Herman and Grandpa doing battle with robot doppel-gangers created by a villain planning a big art robbery. Directed by Don Weis.
6.25 **Hannibal's Footsteps.** In the third programme of his series retracing Hannibal's route from Southern France across the Alps, Bernard Levin goes from Montelimar to the foothills of the Alps. Along the way he samples nougat; nine courses of the 'Menu Rabelais' at Le Pic; tries milking a goat; and visits the village of Vassieux where in 1944 Nazis massacred the local Maquis. (Oracle)
7.00 News summary and weather followed by **Wayne Sleep's 'Dash'** A showcase of the Terpsichorean talents of the ballet star including jazz, tap, ballet, comedy and contemporary dance. His supporting cast include Linda-Mae Brewer, Linda Gibbs, Wendy Roe, Kim Rosato, Nichola Treharne, Rosalyn Whiten, Stephen Beagley, Simon Horrill, and Ian Knowles.
8.05 **Beauty.** A film about beauty of face and form. Among those theorizing on how it is achieved are psychologists, *tattooists, male and female* models, night-club dancers, and keep-fit fanatics.
9.35 **Late Night With Letterman.** A 'special' introducing a cult hero of young America, a man with a late night television show which regularly commands high ratings.
10.45 **Come Dancing With Jools Holland.** *The guests include* Raw Sex, The Inspirational Choir, Rusty Goff and Bad News, alias Rik Mayall, Ade Edmondson, and Peter Richardson.
12.30 **Film: Springtime in the Rockies** (1942) starring Betty Grable, John Payne, Carmen Miranda, and Cesar Romero. A *musical about a pair of* entertainers whose love affair is marred by petty jealousies. The man, Dan, pretends that he is having an affair with his exotic secretary; the girl, Vicky, breaks-off their partnership and announces her engagement to her new, smooth Latin dancing partner Directed by Irving Cummings. Ends at 2.15.

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES 6.15pm-6.25 Wales Today 2.05am-2.10 News and weather. SCOTLAND 6.15pm-6.25 Reporting Scotland. 9.00-9.30 Celebrity Superscot. 6.30-10.00 Smeddum. 10.00-10.50 Stanley Baxter's Picture Annual. 10.50-11.40 Scotch and Wry. 11.40-12.30am Dancing into 1987. 12.30-12.40 Prologue. 12.40-2.35 Film: Gigi (Leslie Caron). 2.35-2.40 Weather. NORTHERN IRELAND 6.15-6.25 Northern Ireland News. 2.05am-2.10am News and weather.

BBC2 NORTHERN IRELAND 9.40am-10.40 Box of Delights.

ANGLIA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardens for All 1.20-1.30 News 6.00-6.35 About Anglia 2.05am Into the New Year, Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 Border News 3.45-4.15 Young Doctors 6.00-6.35 Lookaround 12.30am Aly Bain and Friends 1.30 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News 3.40 News 6.00-6.35 Central News 12.30am New Avengers 1.30 Jobfinder 2.30 Closedown

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Dancing Dolls of Monte Carlo 1.20-1.30 Granada Reports 3.45-4.15 Young Doctors 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-7.00 Crossroads 2.05am Closedown.

HTVWEST As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Review of the Year 1.20-1.30 News 6.00-6.35 News 2.05am Closedown

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 12.30pm-1.00 Images of '86 6.00-6.35 Wales at Six



A perfect beauty ? On Channel 4, at 8.05pm

TSW As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardens for All 1.20-1.30 News 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays 5.20-5.45 Crossroads 6.00 Today South West 6.30-7.00 Who's the Boss? 12.30am Postscript 12.35 Closedown.

TVS As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News 3.45-4.15 Young Doctors 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast 2.05am Company. Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous 1.20 News 1.25-1.30 Lookaround 6.00 Northern Life 6.05-6.35 Turning the Tide 12.30am Epilogue 12.35 Film: Breakdance 2.10 Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime 3.40-4.15 Wild, Wild World of Animals 6.00 Good Evening Ulster 6.25-6.35 Police Six 12.35 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Calendar Lunchtime Live 1.20-1.30 News 6.00-6.35 Calendar 12.30am Music Box — Timmy Mallett 1.00 Amanda Redington Show 2.00 Nino Show 4.00 Simon Potter 5.00 The Shadow 6.00 Closedown.

S4C Starts: 12.00 midday World Series Baseball 2.00 Film: Holiday Inn", featuring Bing Crosby with "White Christmas". 4.05 Ffalabalam 4.20 Y Rhosyn Halen 5.05 Bernard Miles on the Halls 6.05 Brookside 7.00 Ndwyddion Saith 7.15 Plant y Tonnau 8.15 Pluen Eira 9.00 Rhagor o Wyrt 9.30 Chiz 10.10 Y Weekd 11.00 Newyddion '86 11.30 Rhaglen Hywel Gwynfryn 12.20am Closedown.

Radio 1

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see below)
News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 5.30pm then 7.30, 8.30, 10.00
5.30am Adrian John 7.00 Mike Smith's Breakfast Show 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Dave Lee Travis 5.30 Newsbeat 1986 (Frank Partridge) 7.30 Janice and John's New Year Special 8.00 Runrig in Concert 10.00-2.00am The Adrian Juste New Year's Eve Disco Party incl at *12.00 midnight Big Ben.* VHF Stereo Radios 1 & 2: 4.00am As Radio 2 9.00pm As Radio 2 2.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
News on the hour (except 8.00pm). Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30. Sports Desks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only), 9.55.
4.00am Colin Berry 5.30 Martin Stanford 7.30 Bob Holness 9.30 Jimmy Young 11.00 Ken Bruce in Glasgow 1.05pm David Jacobs 2.00 Maggie Philbin is joined by Tony Curtis who talks about antiques 3.30 Mike D'abo 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Folk on 2 9.00 Listen to the Band (with Charlie Chester) 10.00 Review of the Sporting Year 1986 11.00 Ray Moore with a musical toast to the old and new years, incl at 12.00 midnight Big Ben 2.00-4.00am Charles Nove presents Nightride

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk (until 6.30) 7.00 News 7.09 Twenty-four Hours 7.30 Development '86 8.00 News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Classical Record Review 8.30 Just a Minute 9.00 News 9.09 Review of British Press 9.15 World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Patrick Martyn's Music Box 10.00 News 10.01 Omnibus 10.30 Jazz Score 11.00 News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 No Laughing Matter 11.25 A Letter From Wales (until 11.30) 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Masterpiece in *Miniature 12.25 Farming World* 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 Twenty-four Hours 1.30 Development '86 2.00 News followed by: Outlook's Review of the Year 2.45 Report on Religion 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 A Future for the Past 3.30 Two Cheers for 1986 34.00 News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Rock Salad 4.45 World Today 5.00 News 5.09 A Letter from Wales (until 5.15) 6.00 News 6.09 Twenty-Four Hours 6.30 Assignment 8.00 News 9.01 Have You Seen an Otter? 9.15 Rock Salad 9.45 Recording of the Week 10.00 News 10.09 The World Today 10.25 A Letter From Wales 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 New Year Outlook 12.00 News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Two Cheers for 1986 1.00 News 1.01 Outlook's Review of the Year 1.45 Body Talk 2.00 News 2.09 Commentary. 2.15 Have You Ever Seen an Otter? 2.30 Assignment 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 The World Today 3.30 *Science and God* 4.00 Newsdesk 4.30 Classical Record Review (until 4.45) 5.45 World Today. All times in GMT.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News
7.05 Concert: Spohr (Duo Concertante in D, Op 67 No 2: Pinchas Zukerman and *Itzhak Perlman, violins),* Mendelssohn (Konzertstick in D minor, Op 114 No 2,arranged by Sheen : Thea King, clarinet and Julian Farrels, basset-horn), Schubert (Sonata in A minor, D 821, Arpeggione: Bashmet, viola and Muntyan, piano). 8.00 News
8.05 Concert (contd): Russian folk song My Garden (State Academic Russian Choir), Stravinsky (Quatre etudes: French National Orchestra), Ippolitov-Ivanov (Three romances to poems by Tagore: Irina Arkhipova, mezzo), Prokofiev (Romeo and Juliet suite No 2: National SO of Washington). 9.00 News
9.05 This Week's Composers: Constant Lambert and Friends. Lambert (the ballet Pomona: ECO), Berners (Tango and Waltz, A Wedding Bouquet: Chorus and Orchestra of Royal Opera House, Covent Garden), Lambert (ballet suite Horoscope: LSO)
10.00 The Story of Babar, the Little Elephant: Clive Swift tells the story by Jean de Brunhoff. With music by Poulenc, played on the piano by David Mason.
10.30 Robert Fuchs: Medici String Quartet with Thea King (clarinet). Quintet in E flat major, Op 102 for clarinet and strings
11.10 Hello, Modern Dey: The state of the American musical. Stephen Games in conversation with Charles Strouse, William Finn and Michael Starobin
11.30 Matinee musicale: BBC Concert Orchestra, with Gordon Fergus Thompson (piano). Grieg (Wedding Day at Troldhaugen), Haydn Wood (Mannin Veen), Saint-Saens (The swan), Chopin (Concert Paraphrase Op 18 No 1). Johann Strauss (Wine, Woman and Song), Majorossy (Fairy Tale), Mendelssohn (Rondo brillant, Op 29)
12.30 Transatlantic Bijes: recordings made by Stan Getz, with the Swedish All-Stars. 1.00 News
1.05 BBC Scottish SO in Stirling (under Sir Charles Groves), with Erich Gruenberg (violin). Grieg *(the suite Sigurd Jorsalfar),* Nielsen (Violin Concerto), Halvorsen (Entry of the Boyares), Sibelius (Symphony No 5)
2.50 Record Review: Critics' Choice. Paul Vaughan in conversation with Alan Blyth, Richard Osborne, Lionel Salter and John Warrack
4.00 Choral Evensong: from St Clement Danes Church, London. A live transmission. 4.55 News
5.00 Midweek Choice: Mozart (Minuet, Divertimento in D, K 334: Academy of St Martin-in- Fields), Scarlatti (Sonata in D, Kk9: Lipatti, piano), Jacob (Barber of Seville opoes to the Devil: City of Hull Youth Orchestra), Foulds (April—England :Peter Jacobs, piano), Vaughan Williams (Tuba Concerto in F minor: John Fletcher/LSO), Saint-Saens (Etude en forme de valse: Ciccolini, piano), Ponce (Estrellita: Ninbe Koshetz, soprano), Byrd (The Battell: Philip Jones Brass Ensemble)
6.15 Porgy and Bess: three-act opera by Gershwin, as performed last summer in Glyndebourne. With Willard White as Porgy. Cynthia Haymon as Bess, and Damon Evans as Sportin' Life. Simon Rattle conducts the London Philharmonic Orchestra and Glyndebourne Chorus. Act one and act two, scenes 1 and 2
8.10 Houseman on Hollywood: the third of John Houseman's conversations with Christopher Cook. Tonight, *Houseman touches on* his days with Paramount, RKO (working on Citizan Kane) and MGM
8.30 Porgy and Bess: Act 2, scnes 3-4. And Act three
10.15 New Premises: another chance to hear the arts magazine, presented by Nigel Andrews
11.00 *Beethoven Piano* Sonatas: John Lill plays the No 299 in B flat, Op 106 (Hammerklavier)
11.57 News. 12.00 Welcome to 1987 with the chimes of Big Ben.

Radio 4

On long wave. (s) stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping 6.00 News Brieting; Weather
6.10 Farming Today 6.25 *Morning Praise* (s) 6.57 Weather; Travel
7.00 Today, incl 7.00, 8.00 Today's news 7.20 Business news 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.30 News Summary 7.45 Thought for the Day 7.55 Weather
8.30 Cat's Whiskers, presented by Bernard Cribbins (s) 8.57 Weather; *Travel*
9.00 News
9.05 With Great Pleasure. Irene Thomas presents a selection of her favourite prose and poetry.
10.00 News; Farrell's Travels. Nigel Farrell goes in search of the extraordinary side of British everyday life.
10.30 The *Fosdyke Saga (s)*
10.45 Wives of the Great Composers. Fritz Spiegl investigates the tale of the two Mrs J S Bachs.
11.00 News; Travel; Persuasion (new series) Three-part dramatization of the classic novel by Jane Austen. With Roger Hume and Claire Falconbridge in the cast. Part 1
12.00 News; Classic Features. A 1939 portrait by Joan Littlewood of social conditions in Manchester, based on Engel's theories.
12.27 Prompt! Theatre quiz with two teams of stage and screen actors 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One. News
1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; The Immortal Bohemian. First of two programmes evoking the life and works of Giacomo Puccini (s)
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. What Every Woman Knows, by J M Barrie.With Phyllis Logan as Maggie and David Hayman as John Shand.
4.30 The Living World "Let's Hear It Again". Highlights from the past year's programmes.
5.05 PM
5.30 The Fosdyke Saga (s)
5.45 Radio 4 Christmas Competition. Another chance to hear the clues 5.50 Weather 5.55 Shipping
6.00 The Six O'Clock News: Financial Report
6.15 I've Been Together Now For 70 Years. Johnny Morris recalls his childhood in Wales.
6.30 Paul Temple and the Conrad Case. Part 7
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Goin' Bamboo. 3: Mr Yamada does his duty.
7.30 Murder for Christmas: Trent's Last Case, by E C Bentley.
9.00 The Impresarios. Daniel Snowman talks to Alan Sievewright and Denny Dayviss, who for nearly 20 years have periodically staged opera *extravaganzas with the* world's greatest singers (s)
9.30 The Living Museum. Annie Allsebrook finds the Pitt Rivers Museum in Oxford a vibrant, living place.
10.15 Ghost Story: A Little Place off the Edgware Road, by Graham Greene 10.29 Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.00 News; Workforce. Brian Redhead with a quarterly report on the world of employment.
11.45 Watchnight Service led by the Rev Noel Proctor, Senior Chaplain at Strangeways Prison, *Manchester (s)* 12.33 Shipping
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather Travel 1.55-2.00pm Listening corner (s)



Cynthia Haymon: Porgy and Bess, R3, 6.15pm

FREQUENCIES: **Radio 1:**1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m; **Radio 2:** 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; **Radio 3:** 1215kHz/247m:VHF-90-92.5; **Radio 4:** 200kHz/1500m: VHF-92-95; **LBC:**1152kHz/261m: VHF 97.3; **Capital:** 1548kHz/194m: VHF95.8; **BBC Radio London:** 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; **World Service:** MF 648kHz/463m.

-Cream tip No. 50

Make some midwinter magic.

Yuletide Chicken.

Take a break from this month's hectic pace with this simple chicken dish.

Arrange 4 chicken portions in a shallow baking dish. Blend 150ml (¼ pint) fresh Single Cream with half a can of condensed mushroom soup.

Stir in a little crushed garlic, salt and pepper and then pour over the chicken.

Bake at 180°C (350°F), Mark 4 for 45 minutes.

Serve with jacket potatoes and salad.

You'll want to make this magic long after Yuletide's gone!

Get fresh with the cream this Christmas.



SPORT

West Indies wilt in the heat of Pakistan attack

From John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent, Perth

They have been round the Australian pyjama shops again, finding a green strip for Pakistan, grey for West Indies, blue for England and yellow for the host country, in which to play the Benson and Hedges Challenge. Yesterday, in the first match of the competition, the greens upset the applecart by beating the greys. In other words, West Indies lost to Pakistan, which makes them slightly less hot favourites to reach the final a week today. They will not necessarily have to win their two remaining matches, but they well may.

Put in by Richards, Pakistan made 199 for eight, which should have been more after reaching 160 for two with seven overs left. Batting under the new Perth lights, being used for the first time in an international match, West Indies found a young Pakistan side set upon fighting every inch of the way. Pakistan fielded spendidly, and the running out of Richardson, when he was playing well, was the turning point.

The man of the match was Mudassar, who took three of the first five West Indies wickets to fall for 36 runs in his 10 overs. It could equally well have been Shoaib Mohammad, son of Hanif and nephew of Mushtaq, who had made a useful 34, held a brilliant catch at short extra cover to get rid of Dujon, and bowled his gentle off-cutters to good effect. There was about Pakistan's cricket a youthful vigour that I had not expected. As Imran led them off at the end, I thought I detected more than a trace of emotion.

Play was from 1.45pm until just after 9pm, and the game was watched by an estimated crowd of 10,000. England play their first match in the competition tomorrow, against Australia. Needing to name 14 players from whom to choose, they will probably leave out French and Slack. As a Christmas present from the England side French, who is one of their favourites, was given a book with some such title as "What to do in your Spare Time in Australia."

Quite apart from the result, it was worth being at yesterday's game just to see the great and glorious muddle the scoreboard operators got into when Pakistan began to vary their advertised batting order. They had no more idea than any of us which was Saleem Jaffer, Ijaz Ahmed or Wasim Akram, so that each time a wicket fell they took a punt and put Mudassar's name in the frame. Mudassar had been meant to come in early but never came in at all.

First impressions of the West Indians were of the ferocity of their throwing and the height of their bowlers, who seemed to tower, like the towers of light, over all mankind. Walsh, Gray, Holding, Harper and Benjamin were neither especially fast nor particularly hostile. Nor did they bowl short, the rules of one-day cricket making it not worth their while.

But when Pakistan tried to accelerate over the last third of their innings the bowling was too accurate for them, the pitch a little too slow and the boundaries too long. To avoid being fined, West Indies bowled their overs at 16 to the hour: they can do it when they have to, as they could in Test matches if they were made to.

After a slow start to their own innings West Indies built a position from which they could have won comfortably. Perhaps they should have done. They passed 100 in the 28th of their 50 overs with only Greenidge and Haynes out, Richardson bursting with confidence and the great Richards playing himself in. By the end of the thirtieth over they were 106 for four and up against it.

Having steered a ball to shortish third man, Richardson made the mistake of following the stroke rather than attending to his partner's intentions. Richards, meanwhile, ran without looking to see that Richardson had his back turned. In no time they were both in the batsman's crease. Richardson, who had momentarily left it, had to go. England play West Indies on Saturday and after yesterday's result they can expect no mercy. It should be quite a match.

PAKISTAN

Shoaib Moh'd c Richards b Benjamin	34
Qasim Omar run out	30
Ramiz Raja c Richardson b Gray	42
Javed Miandad c Richards b Walsh	53
*Imran Khan c Benjamin b Gray	16
Manzoor Elahi c Richardson b Gray	4
Ijaz Ahmed c sub b Gray	2
Wasim Akram c Harper b Walsh	9
†Salim Yousuf not out	2
Extras (lb 3, w 3, nb 1)	7
Total (8 wkts, 50 overs)	199

Mudassar Nazar and Saleem Jaffer did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-51, 2-72, 3-163, 4-166, 5-177, 6-188, 7-188, 8-199.

BOWLING: Gray 10-1-45-4; Walsh 10-0-48-2; Holding 10-0-30-0; Benjamin 10-2-35-1; Harper 10-0-38-0.

WEST INDIES

C G Greenidge b Akram	22
D L Haynes c Saleem b Mudassar	25
R B Richardson run out	38
I V A Richards lbw b Mudassar	10
A L Logie c Saleem b Mudassar	7
†P J L Dujon c Shoaib b Jaffer	13
R A Harper not out	20
W K R Benjamin c Jaffer b Shoaib	3
M A Holding b Shoaib	5
A H Gray c Imran b Jaffer	3
C A Walsh b Akram	2
Extras (lb 16, nb 1)	17
Total (46.2 overs)	165

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-40, 2-71, 3-105, 4-106, 5-123, 6-128, 7-139, 8-150, 9-155, 10-165.

BOWLING: Imran 7-2-18-0; Jaffer 10-2-29-2; Akram 7.2-2-13-2; Manzoor 2-0-10-0; Mudassar 10-0-38-3; Shoaib 10-0-43-2.



Quick silver: Hayes has made a fast impression with Arsenal (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Value of Hayes up tenfold to £250,000 in three months

By Clive White

On a day when football heaped a further accolade upon George Graham's youthful championship pretenders with the presentation of a third young player of the month award this year to Arsenal, the manager continued to keep the pressure of expectation at arm's length by saying: "Personally, I fancy Everton to win the title"

Graham, who was present at a luncheon in honour of Martin Hayes, the Fiat Uno November player of the month, did at least offer the view that Arsenal would finish in the top five. But of Everton he said: "They have a strong squad of players which I don't have. I don't envy them, I just want to emulate them. But I won't be panicked into buying."

Presumably, neither will he be panicked into selling, at least not by stories in the tabloid Press, where it was suggested that West Ham United were poised to make an offer for Stewart Robson, the England under-21 midfield player whose absence through injury has gone almost unnoticed in the general well being of the Highbury club.

Graham, who earlier in the season rejected an offer of about £800,000 from Everton for Robson, seen by many as a future England captain, said that John Lyall, the West Ham manager, had not been in contact with him and added: "I've no intention of selling my best players."

Robson, who has not played since September 6 after a hernia operation, is scheduled to make his reappearance in a reserve game in a fortnight's time. He, like Tony Adams, has also been a Fiat player of the month winner in the last 12 months.

Graham almost made a big mistake the last time he was prepared to let one of his bright young men go. Three months ago he accepted an offer of £25,000 from Huddersfield Town for Hayes. But Hayes, who was considered superfluous to requirements, rejected the move after a short visit. The East Londoner, aged 20, had not realized how far away Huddersfield was from his family.

Injuries to Williams, Nicholas and most relevantly Rix gave Hayes the chance to show Graham what he could do with an extended first-team run. What he could do was score goals, 13 to date including six penalties in 15 full appearances. Meanwhile Rix, back to full fitness, is playing for the reserves.

Graham admits that he made an error when he considered selling Hayes: "You could add a zero to that earlier valuation. He's unusual in that not many wide players are top goalscorers. He is a right-footer who is playing out of position on the left, but it suits him because he can cut inside on his best foot.

"It is one of the advantages of having a small squad that youngsters get a chance to show what they can do. We have had to persevere with them."

Hayes, who received his silver salver from Bill Nicholson, the former Tottenham Hotspur manager, said that he was upset when Don Howe left. "He was a very likeable person and gave me a lot of confidence. The new manager has put a lot of ideas into the team. He has got players doing what they should be doing and he's put it across to them that if they don't do well they're out.

"The older players have realized that they have got to help out the younger ones. Sansom helps me, Anderson helps Perry Groves, Tony Adams has O'Leary and then there's Williams in midfield. It's ideal."

Graham, recognizing the value of first-team experience, yesterday agreed to loan Michael Thomas, a 19-year-old full back of great potential, to Portsmouth, the second division leaders, for a month on the understanding that he played in the first team. "It could be a bit of a gamble because of the size of our squad, but I've got to look at things in the long-term," Graham said.

Punter's £50,000 bet on Arsenal

An anonymous punter yesterday walked into a London bookmakers and bet £50,000 cash on Arsenal to win the first division title. Staff at the Walthamstow branch of Coral's could not believe it as the man, in his twenties, produced 20 bundles of £50 notes.

"He had the money in his pockets," said a spokesman for Coral's, who will have to pay out £150,000 and return the £50,000 stake money if Arsenal triumph. "It's the biggest football bet we have ever taken, and it will be the biggest single pay-out on any bet if he wins. The man, who wants to remain anonymous, made just the one bet, on Arsenal to win the title at odds of 3-1."

Worcester step up hunt for Botham

By Chris Moore

Mike Jones, Worcestershire's cricket committee chairman, arrives in Perth today armed with a contract which the county are confident will soon bear the signature of Ian Botham.

Worcestershire gave Somerset notice of their intention to approach the England all-rounder two weeks ago, and will make their first official move towards tempting him to New Road on New Year's Day.

"We've done everything by the book so far and realize that we are still not allowed to actually speak to the player before January 1," said Duncan Fearnley, the Worcestershire chairman. "But our cricket committee were unanimous in wanting to sign him and we don't want to slip up now.

"If all the terms are acceptable I would expect to have signed him by January 9 or 10," added Fearnley, who plans to finalize the deal himself when he flies to Australia next week.

"Mike Jones will make it clear before then that we are not prepared to consider any outrageous demands. But I don't think Ian will be too greedy. He knows there are limited resources in county cricket and we certainly won't be going over the top."

Warwickshire and Lancashire pulled out of the race to sign Botham earlier in the month, leaving Derbyshire as Worcestershire's only serious rivals.

"As far as we're concerned the matter is by no means a formality," added Fearnley.

One-day game is winning

Cricket's dependence on the one-day game is expected to be underlined once more during the next week in Perth, where large crowds are likely to gather for the Benson and Hedges Challenge involving England, Australia, Pakistan and West Indies.

The current Test series between Australia and England is proving a financial disappointment to the Australian Cricket Board.

England's win in three days in the fourth Test at Melbourne is reckoned to have cost them at least $400,000 (about £190,000) in lost gate receipts for the fourth and fifth days and with the series and the destiny of the Ashes decided attendances for the fifth Test in Sydney are not expected to improve matters. Only 13,000 advanced bookings have been received so far for the final Test, which starts on January 10.

However, organizers in Perth are expecting capacity crowds of 30,000 for most of the seven one-day matches which comprise the Benson and Hedges Challenge.

England's opening game in the series is against Australia tomorrow, with the final taking place on January 7.

TENNIS

Wilkinson survives to fight again

Chris Wilkinson survived heavy bombardment to keep his hopes alive in the Prudential British junior covered court championships at Queen's Club yesterday, but he knows he faces another dose of the same today, when he takes on Mark Petchey, the second seed, for a place in the quarter-finals.

Wilkinson must have felt he was on the receiving end of heavy artillery yesterday as he struggled to cope with the ferocious hitting of Garry Engleman, of London. Engleman won the first set but Wilkinson proved the wilier and the more patient when he capitalized on his opponent's mistakes and took the next two sets for victory.

Petchey beat Karl Burt, of Dorset, while Danny Sapsford, of Surrey, the defending champion, had little trouble in disposing of David Harris, of Essex, and will meet another Essex boy, Dominic Coull, in the third round.

All the seeds in the girls' event came safely through, with only number seven, Alison Fleming, from Melton Mowbray, dropping a set in her defeat of Amanda Gregory of Nottingham.

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Saxton sacked by Blackburn

By Steve Bates

Bobby Saxton was dismissed as manager of Blackburn Rovers yesterday after five-and-a-half years in charge.

William Fox, the Blackburn chairman, broke the news to Saxton, who had six months of his contract to run, in a meeting yesterday morning at Ewood Park before placing the club's coach Tony Parkes, a former Blackburn player, in temporary charge of the team for tomorrow's match at Derby County.

Saxton's departure, following the dismissal of Mick Buxton by Huddersfield Town, means that the second division's two longest-serving managers have been sacked within a week. Buxton was appointed in October 1978 and Saxton in June 1981.

Although Blackburn narrowly avoided relegation last season, finishing 19th, and are presently second from the bottom of the table having won only four matches this season, the sacking shocked Saxton who has taken Rovers close to promotion in previous years.

He said: "It has hurt but in view of our position I have no complaints. It's been a pleasure to serve the club for so long and I leave with no animosity on my part. I didn't want to resign because I couldn't have walked out on the players at a time when they needed support.

Yesterday Fox acknowledged that the decision to dispense with Saxton was not a pleasant one but he added: "The hour has come for us to make a change, distasteful though it may have been. We know the squad is good enough to get us away from trouble but the results haven't been coming so we had to take action.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Dilley in demand

Hampshire, generally regarded as favourites to sign Graham Dilley if he decides to leave Kent, have notified the county officially of their interest in the 27-year-old England cricketer. Lancashire and Somerset also intend to speak to Dilley.

Dilley has already received details of a new two-year contract offered by Kent to replace his current agreement which expires today.

Trial clash

Harlequins' Rugby Union match against Wasps at the Stoop Memorial Ground on Saturday has been de-merited because Wasps have seven players involved in the England trial at Twickenham. It was originally a merit table "A" and London merit table match.



Dilley: Hampshire interest

Cooper goes

Homespare Bolton's unsettled basketball player Mark Cooper has been transferred to the second division promotion contenders Oldham Celtics and will make his first appearance in Saturday's top-of-the-table meeting at Walsall.

In the swim

Joanne Drewitt, the national age group 200 metres medley champion from Luton, will swim in four events in the international championships in Geneva next month. Her races are 100 metres backstroke, 100 metres butterfly, 100 and 200 metres freestyle. Five others in the Esso youth squad going to Geneva are Nicole Bates (Norwich Penguins), Steven Dronsfield (Salford), Ian McKenzie (Braintree and Bocking), Michael Hanby (Nova Centurion) and Matthew O'Connor (City of Manchester).

Lancs defend

Lancashire, who have won the British Amateur Rugby League Association county championship for the last three years, begin the defence of this season's tournament against Cumbria at Maryport on Saturday.

1987: the year of a British Wimbledon win



Simon Barnes

The uncanny infallibility of their prognostications makes it obvious to everyone that journalists, to a person, have the gift of second sight. I have read the signs and portents for 1987, and now propose to reveal exactly what will happen in sport over the next 12 months.

Cricket

New legislation will bring powerful punishment on any bowler who deliberately endangers a batsman. The era of the fast bowler will end at a stroke. At the same time, the law about covering wickets will be repealed. The West Indies will carry all before them with a four-man leg-spin attack. Cricket writers across the world will condemn it because of the mental torment it causes in batsmen.

Ian Botham will issue the following statement: "I realize that I have been wrong in many ways. I see now that were it not for Press and television, I would not be as rich or as famous as I am. I am very grateful to all that the media have done for me. Peter Roebuck is a lovely man, he and I are going on holiday together to Pakistan."

The Radio 3 commentary team will be strengthened by a young and gifted former policeman from Hampshire. He likes wine rather a lot. Because of his genius, Radio 3 will be forced to stop playing the giddy goat. Once again listeners really will understand what's going on out there.

Phil Edmonds will be made England captain. At his modest press conference, he will say: "I owe it all to my wonderful biographer."

My batting average will be in double figures.

Yachting

The America's Cup competition will stop dead on January 1 and will never be contested again. The organizers will say: "The competition is not only silly, it is also incredibly boring and ridiculously expensive. Instead of having a boat race, we shall give £100 million to Oxfam every four years."

Tennis

A previously unheard-of British boy, aged 17, will win Wimbledon as a qualifier. He will be admired for his resolution, his confidence in adversity, and his ability to deal ruthlessly with inferior players. He will also win the mixed doubles in partnership with the marvellously consistent Jo Durie. As a result of his success, Boris Becker will retire. "I'm over the hill," he will say.

Football

Skilful legislation and the abnegation of all vested interest will turn the tide against hooliganism. Clubs will acknowledge their debt to Luton and Watford as football matches become sane and delightful occasions.

The loyalty of clubs to their managers is justly celebrated. Football management is seen as one of the country's most secure jobs. All managers take a vow of public silence.

So do football chairmen.

All competitions are banned except the League and the FA Cup.

The professional foul is punished by instant dismissal from the field of play. The use of an offside trap is categorized as a professional foul.

Snooker

The world snooker final attracts a television audience of nil. Television abandons the game and starts to cover croquet "the game of the nineties". Wall-to-wall coverage of the President's Cup makes Stephen Mulliner the first croquet millionaire.

Rugby Union

The Rugby Union issues the following statement: "We now realize that our support of South African rugby has been a source of great comfort to those who operate the apartheid system. We regret this with all our souls. We resolve to have no more to do with South Africa until the apartheid system is dismantled."

Clubs will formally denounce players involved in violent play, and will dismiss them from their ranks. The game will acquire a reputation for its no-nonsense honesty and its total refusal to try and hush things up.

The British Lions will play a Great Britain Rugby League XV in a charity game. The result of this marvellous match is hidden from me, but it raises £1 million for Oxfam. The president of the Rugby Union says: "We salute our brothers from the northern code. Long may they flourish."

Horse Racing

The bookmakers will abolish themselves, and force the sport to establish a tote monopoly. A spokesman for the bookmakers says: "We have bled the sport white for years. It is time to give racing back to itself."

Golf

My next door neighbour Eddy will (a) get his handicap down to single figures and (b) give up talking about the game. "It's silly to get obsessive about golf," he says. "After all, it's only a game."

Athletics

The sport will get its relationship with money worked out perfectly and justly and — ah, but the glass has gone misty now. I can't quite see how this will be brought about.

No nation will boycott any event for any reason whatsoever. A spokesman for the African nations will say: "I think boycotts are a waste of time, a cheap trick that, quite apart from anything else, are a rotten trick to play on our athletes."

Boxing

The sport will ban itself all over the world. A spokesman will announce: "We see now that the sport is a barbarous anachronism. We will give all our money to Oxfam. The boys will take up croquet."

RUGBY UNION

Moriarty welcomed back to the fold

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Paul Moriarty, omitted from the Welsh trial and the subsequent national squad of 33 earlier this month, was restored to favour yesterday when he was added to the Welsh forwards who trained in Cardiff during the evening.

The interpretation to be placed upon this is that Moriarty has occupied the doghouse long enough after the incident during November when he injured a Richmond forward during the game against Moriarty's club, Swansea.

Moriarty, who came into Wales's back row against Ireland last season and played in his country's next four games, was suspended for one match by his club after punching Chris Mills, the Richmond prop.

Mills was forced to see a specialist about his damaged eye, though there proved to be no long-term injury and he is playing once more. The Swansea flanker was also left out of the Welsh trial, which was seen as an additional disciplinary measure imposed by the Welsh selectors.

Evidently all concerned hope that Moriarty, who proved one of the finds of last season for Wales, has learnt his lesson. He will certainly have to indicate as much, having drawn attention to himself by his own actions, but if he contrives to produce the same quality performances of the last year within a disciplined context for his country, he should hold off the challenge of such players as Phil Pugh (Neath) for the blind-side flanker's place.

The fact that he is the only named addition to the squad announced just over a fortnight ago for duty in the five-nations Tournament means his rehabilitation begins now. He and the rest of the forwards worked out under the eye of Tony Gray, the Welsh coach, last night, the backs having done the same on Monday night.

The full squad will gather again in Cardiff next Monday and the Welsh team to play Ireland at the Arms Park on January 17 will be decided on January 8.

Palmer leads depleted Bath

The former England centre John Palmer will lead Bath at Cardiff tomorrow. Palmer, who recently opted out of representative rugby, makes a welcome return to strengthen a much depleted Bath side following an arm injury.

The holiday match, sponsored by British Gas, was ruined as a showpiece game when the England selectors decided to hold an international trial at Twickenham on Saturday and called up 11 Bath players to take part in it.

Two of them were willing to turn out at Cardiff but the club selectors decided not to prejudice their England chances by choosing them.

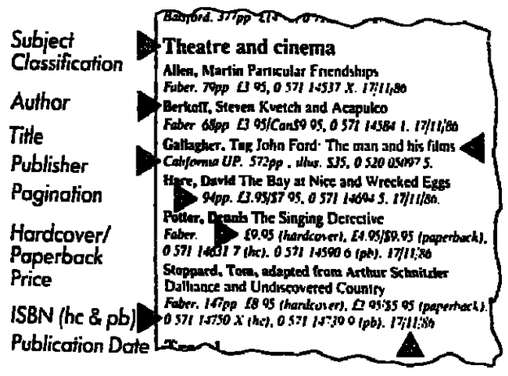
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